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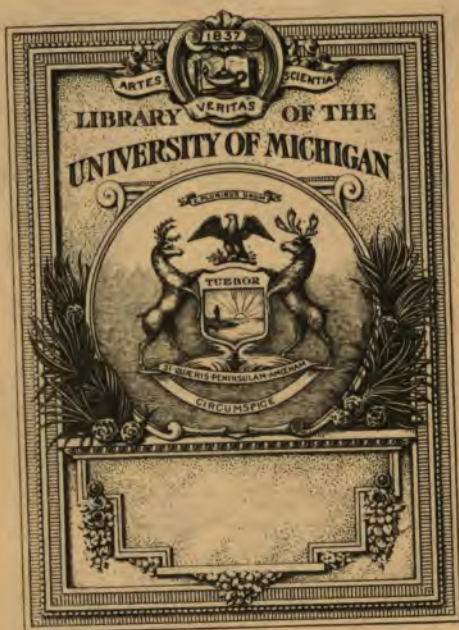
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Held at Ypsilanti, Mich., September 3-9, 1873.

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CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER.

ADOPTED IN 1869, AND RE-ENACTED IN 1873.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8½ o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjourning at its discretion.
 2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the time to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journals of the preceding day read and approved.
 3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference: but in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.
 4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.
 5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing, if the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference requests it.
 6. When a motion, resolution or report presented is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover, at any time before action or amendment.
 7. No new motion or resolution shall be made before the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motion shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz: Indefinite postponement, lying on the table, reference to a committee, postponement to any given time, or amendment.
 8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President, to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems the speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.
 9. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.
 10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.
 11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the affirmative to move a reconsideration.
 12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.
 13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar of the Conference at the time such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.
 14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.
 15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.
 16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference; and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.
 17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.
 18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of this Conference until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, ten days in advance, if practicable, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.
 19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made to the President of the Conference, who shall pass the name by, to be investigated in secret session, at such time as the Conference may direct.
- [The Conference, Sept. 8, 1873, called the previous question on a pending motion, thus establishing a precedent.—*Secretary.*]

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 2. Report them *as soon* as you arrive. If you do not expect to arrive early, forward them.
 3. Report *even dollars and no cents*, if possible, to facilitate committee work.
 4. Write proper names and figures with extreme care.
 5. Presiding Elders will please bring to the next session a complete list of local preachers in their districts. Let the report state whether they are merely licensed, or Deacons or Elders. Add their postoffice addresses.
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TO EVERY MEMBER—PERSONAL.

The Secretary, REV. A. EDWARDS, 24 Van Buren Street, Chicago, wishes to immediately receive by mail answers to the following. The material is wanted to complete the Register:

1. Your name in full.
2. Born—where?
3. Born—when?
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In what Conference?
5. When?
6. If not originally admitted into Detroit Conference, from what Conference, or other Church, transferred to Detroit Conference?
7. When?

JOURNAL OF THE SESSION

IN FULL.

FIRST DAY.

YPSILANTI, MICH., WEDNESDAY, September 3, 1873.

THE EIGHTEENTH SESSION OF THE DETROIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH began in the First Methodist Episcopal church in Ypsilanti, Michigan, at 9 o'clock, on the morning of Wednesday, September 3, 1873.

Bishop Isaac W. Wiley presided.

The President read the second chapter of the Second Epistle to Timothy; the seven hundred and seventh hymn was sung, and Bishop Wiley led in prayer. After the two hundred and nineteenth hymn was also sung, Samuel Clements led in prayer.

This being the first presidency by Bishop Wiley over the Detroit Conference, he made some felicitous remarks by way of personal introduction.

Arthur Edwards, Secretary of the session of 1872, called the roll. All who in the following list are not marked absent or otherwise, were present.

NOTE.—The formal roll is chronological, precedence being given to names whose owners first joined Detroit Conference, or its parents, the Michigan and Ohio Conferences. This list is here given alphabetically for convenience of reference. For the chronology involved, see the Register at the close of these Minutes.

Allen Alfred A, Allen Charles T. A, Anderson Charles Miller, Arnold John Motte, Austin Charles William.

Ball David Ogden A, Balls James, Barnes Leemon A, Barry Edward, Bartlett Alanson Roots, Bancroft John Orlando, Bell Andrew A, Benton William Hart, Benson William A, Bessey Samuel, Bigelow William Enos, Bigelow Andrew Jackson, Birdsall William, Bird Robert, Bird Samuel, Bibbins Samuel, Bibbins Elisha, Blades Francis Asbury A, Bourns Alfred Francis, Brown Henry Newton A, Brown Samuel Joshua, Brockway Edwin Harleigh, Brittain Flavel, Burnett William Q.

Calkins Sylvester A, Camburn Ira Hill, Campbell William John, Caster Elisha Ezra, Caster James Harvey A, Casler David, Church Charles Lewis A, Clough Albert B., Clack William J., Cocker Benjamin F., Curtis David A., Clements Samuel, Cordon James Robert, Crane Rufus Cullen A, Crippen John Wesley, Curnalia James Henry.

* DAVIDSON JAMES FRANCIS, Dean Lyman Haynes A, Dobbins Jacob A, Donelson Ira W. A, Donnelly William, Davis George R. A (in China), Dunning Walter Edson, Dunlap James A. A.

Edwards Arthur, Elwood Isaac Newton A.

Fair Alexander Scott, Field Geo. H., Fiske Lewis Ransom, Fox William Frazee Elias Wetmore A, Frazer Joseph, Fuller James Madison.

Gage Rodney, Gardner Thomas Champin, Gee Alexander, Gordon John M., Gray John A, Goss Joel Byington, Green Nelson.

Hammond Daniel Webster, Hamilton John, Hagadorne Wesley, Hankinson Joseph Thompson A, Hascall Erastus R. A, Harding Abel W., Haven Erastus Otis A, Hazen Albert R., Hedger Benjamin H., Hickey Manasseh A, Hicks Henry Warren, Higgins Theron Clinton, Hodskiss Harvey A, Holt Joseph Warren, Hood Hiram A, Horton Jacob, Houghton Levi Liberty A.

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Laing Aaron R., Lee Samuel P. A, Lee Luther A, Lee Charles C. A, Lanning Robert Conrad, Levington John, Lowe George Washington A, Lyon George Marcus.

Mahon William A, McCarty Joseph H., McClure John H., McConnell Richard, McEldowney John, McIlwaine John A., McIntosh John H. A, Maywood William P., May Franklin Wallace, Marksman Peter A, Mitchell Lewis A, Morgan Josiah George, Mosher Curtis A, Murch Silas P. A.

Newton Newel, Nichols Thomas, Ninde William Xavier, Noble James Richard A.

Omans Thomas G. A, Owen George Washington.

Palmer Horace, Pardington Raynor S., Parker Henry O. A, Parker Jacob E. A, Pearman Elias Elgin, Perrin Oliver Jacob A, Pearce Francis E., Pierce Nathan Wallace, † PILCHER ELIJAH HOLMES, Pilcher Leander W. A (in China), Potter Thomas George, Prindle Elias B. A, Pritchard Benjamin Franklin A, Pugh John.

Ramsdell Stephen L., Reed Seth, Richards Andrew Jackson, Russell Jesse Barber, Russell John A, Riley James.

Sanborn Orlando A, Scott James W., Scott Marvin J., Seeleye Thomas A, Shaw Addison C. A, Shepard Albert, Shier William Henry, Simpson Charles, Smart James Shirley, Stalker Thomas, Stowe George, Sutton Joseph Swazey, Steele Ebenezer, Springstein Archibald H., Sparling John George, Smith Henry Harrison, Steer Edward.

Taylor Barton S., Taylor George A, Taylor William, Tedman Lucius S. A, Triggs Robert A, Triggs William M., Tracy David Burnham A, Tuttle

* Second Senior Member; see "Register." † Senior Member; see "Register."

William A, Van Norman Ephriam A, Van Every John M., Varnum Joseph Bradley A, Venning James A.

Warren Frederick Wales A, Warren Squire Ethan, Warner Silas Phelps, Wakelin Thomas A, Walker John L., Washburn William W., Way William Chittenden A, Wesley John A, Westlake Eli, Whitmore Orrin, Whitcomb Alonzo, Whitcomb John Goss A, Whitcomb Lewis Jacob A, Whitely Duke, Wigle Eli, Wiltsey Marcenas B., Wilson Andrew William, Wilson George A, Withey James E. A, Wilkinson Thomas A, Wright Phillip A, Wood Alva B., Wortley Jacob C.

York Frederick Embry, York Lodowick C.

The transfer, by Bishop Ames, of William B. Holt, an elder in Michigan Annual Conference, to this Conference, was read. The name of Bro. Holt was ordered to be placed upon the roll, and upon call of his name, Bro. Holt answered present.

Arthur Edwards was re-elected Secretary by acclamation, with liberty to nominate assistant secretaries.

The Standing Committees for the session were, with a few modifications, confirmed as follows:

Education—W. X. Ninde, W. W. Washburn, N. Green.

Ministerial Education—B. S. Taylor, T. J. Joslin, G. W. Lowe.

Periodicals—J. McEldowney, A. J. Bigelow, J. Frazer.

Bible Cause—T. J. Joslin, Luther Lee, C. M. Anderson.

Sunday Schools—A. F. Bourns, A. J. Richards, S. P. Warner.

Temperance—J. H. McCarty, J. S. Joslin, T. Wilkinson.

Conference Stewards—John Kelly, J. A. McIlwaine, R. S. Pardington.

Parsonages—R. Bird, J. Hamilton, C. Simpson.

Mission Auditors—J. S. Smart, J. Kilpatrick, B. F. Pritchard.

Missions—The Presiding Elders.

Freedmen—John Russell, Wm. Donnelly, H. Hodskiss.

Memoirs—E. E. Caster, O. Whitmore, B. H. Hedger.

Sanctity of the Sabbath—B. F. Cocker, F. W. Warren, T. Stalker.

Statistics—H. W. Hicks, D. Casler, J. G. Morgan.

Tracts—L. C. York, J. W. Scott, E. E. Pearman.

Eight on Conference Claims:

Detroit District—Thomas Stalker.

Ann Arbor District—J. Horton.

Adrian District—S. Clements.

Flint District—R. C. Lanning.

Saginaw—W. Q. Burnett.

Romeo District—J. O. Bancroft.

Port Huron District—Wm. Donnelly.

Lake Superior District—J. Frazer.

To Nominate Standing Committees for 1874—J. S. Sutton, L. C. York, J. H. McCarty, Wm. Fox, D. Casler, S. E. Warren, T. G. Potter, Leemon Barnes.

Public Worship—L. R. Fiske, J. M. Fuller, J. Horton.

Debts Due the Book Concern—Wm. J. Campbell, J. B. Russell, Wm. Taylor, C. W. Austin, Wesley Hagadorne, J. W. Scott, R. McConnell, F. E. York.

Post Offices—A. R. Laing.

A motion by J. Levington to appoint a committee of five on Secret Societies was laid on the table.

W. W. Washburn was appointed to serve as treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society until the arrival of the treasurer of the same.

The Committee of Eight on Conference Claims was instructed to estimate the claims of Conference beneficiaries for the ensuing year, and the presiding elders were requested to apportion said estimate to the several districts for collection.

Nelson Green was appointed by the President to serve on the committee to examine candidates for admission on trial, in place of H. O. Parker.

Documents relating to Sunday Schools, Tracts, Freedmen's Cause, and Garrett Biblical Institute, were respectively referred to committees on those subjects; the Biblical Institute paper going, however, to the Committee on Education.

The Rules of Order governing the session of 1872 were re-enacted to govern this session of 1873.

The bar of the Conference was fixed on the line between the pulpit side of the windows third in order from the pulpit.

Arthur Edwards and J. M. Arnold were appointed a committee to publish the Minutes of the present session, and said committee was instructed to print twenty-five hundred copies of the same.

The consideration of the Eighth Disciplinary Question was taken up. The character of Curtis Mosher was examined and passed, and his relation was continued. The characters of Stephen L. Ramsdell, Samuel Kitzmiller and Alva B. Wood were examined and passed, and they were made effective.

The Ninth Disciplinary Question was considered. The character of Marcenas B. Wiltsey was examined and passed, and he was made effective. The characters of Addison C. Shaw, J. E. Parker, Lyman H. Dean, Robert Triggs, Andrew Bell, John Gray,

E. B. Prindle, John Pugh, Jacob Dobbins, Samuel Bibbins, and Ira W. Donelson were examined and passed, and their relations continued.

When the name of D. B. Tracy was called, it was moved that he be made effective. This motion was laid on the table. It was then moved that D. B. Tracy be requested to locate; whereupon it was moved, as a substitute, that his case be postponed until he arrives at the seat of the Conference. The substitute to postpone was laid on the table. Another substitute, to the effect that the case of D. B. Tracy be postponed until Friday morning, was laid on the table by a count vote of forty-four to thirty-nine (44 to 39). The motion requesting D. B. Tracy to locate was then indefinitely postponed by a count vote of fifty-three to forty-nine (53 to 49).

Rev. Benjamin Day, of Newark Conference, Rev. G. M. Tut-hill, District Superintendent for the American Bible Society, and F. E. Parish, of the Western Book Concern, were introduced to the Conference.

The Conference adjourned, notices were given, the doxology was sung, and the Conference was dismissed with the benediction pronounced by W. E. Bigelow.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, September 4, 1873.

The session began at 8½ o'clock A. M., Bishop Wiley in the chair. The opening religious services were conducted by William Donnelly.

The roll of absentees from the first day's session was called, and the following responded to their names:

Daniel C. Jacokes,
Alford Allen,
Frederick W. Warren,
Silas P. Murch,
James R. Noble,
Wm. C. Way,
John Wesley,
Oliver J. Perrin,
David O. Ball,

Leemon Barnes,
Isaac N. Elwood,
Charles T. Allen,
John H. McIntosh,
Thomas G. Omans,
James A. Dunlap,
Thomas Wilkinson,
Philip Wright.

The further calling of the roll during the present session was dispensed with, by vote to that effect.

The Journal of the first day's session was read and approved.

Thomas Stalker received leave of absence, and Jesse Kilpatrick was appointed to serve in his place on the Committee of Eight on Conference Claims.

Leave of absence was granted to J. C. Wortley.

The following lay delegates were reported by presiding elders:

Flint District.—Frederick Walker and L. B. Wakeman.

Saginaw District.—Aschel Chase and Richard Whitesides.

Romeo District.—W. M. McConnell and A. M. Keeler.

J. M. Phillips, an Agent of the New York Book Concern, was introduced to the Conference.

The consideration of the Ninth Disciplinary Question was resumed. The characters of Ebenezer Steele, George Wilson, Sylvester Calkins, Erastus R. Hascall, Rufus C. Crane, George Taylor, Lewis Mitchell, William Mahon, Erastus Klumph, William Benson, Luther Lee, Thomas Seeleye, Peter O. Johnson, F. A. Blades and Manasseh Hickey were examined and passed, and their relations continued. The characters of Daniel W. Hammond and Levi L. Houghton were examined and passed, and they were made effective.

The Third Disciplinary Question was considered. The characters of S. G. Bettis, Franklin Bradley, F. W. Porter, John S. Priestley, Wm. Allington, Nathan N. Clark, R. Woodhams, and Henry W. Thompson were examined and passed, and they were continued on trial. John W. Henry was discontinued at his own request.

The Tenth Disciplinary Question was considered. The characters of E. H. Pilcher, Wm. X. Ninde, J. McEldowney, Thomas Stalker, E. E. Caster, H. N. Brown, J. H. McClure, H. O. Parker, Jesse Kilpatrick, J. C. Wortley, J. S. Joslin, J. R. Noble, W. H. Benton, W. J. Campbell, F. Brittain, C. Simpson, J. A. Mollwaine, Nelson Green, A. Gee, T. Nichols, J. H. Curnalia, J. S. Sutton, J. M. Arnold, Arthur Edwards, John Russell, L. R. Fiske, Wm. H. Shier, S. Bessey, J. M. Fuller, A. W. Wilson, N. Newton, J. Horton, W. B. Holt, R. S. Pardington, J. B. Russell, L. J. Whitcomb, Wm. M. Triggs, J. H. Caster, L. C. York, B. F. Pritchard, J. B. Varnum, E. O. Haven, B. F. Cocker, O. Whitmore, J. H. McCarty, C. T. Allen, S. Clements, G. W. Lowe, D. O. Ball, Elisha Bibbins, A. R. Hazen, D. C. Jacokes, I. N. Elwood, Wm. Taylor, J. G. Whitcomb, I. Johnson, G. H. Field, D. A. Curtis, W. C. Way, S. P. Murch, W. E. Bigelow, J. F. Davidson, Wm. Fox, W. J. Clack, J. G. Morgan, J. B. Goss, T. Wakelin,

E. Westlake, S. P. Warner, W. W. Washburn, Richard Kerr, O. Sanborn, E. H. Brockway, N. W. Pierce, A. J. Richards, L. S. Tedman, H. W. Hicks, J. Balls, H. Hodskiss, S. Bird, C. W. Austin, R. C. Lanning, T. Wilkinson, L. W. Pilcher, O. J. Perrin, J. Venning, F. W. Warren, J. Kelly, W. Q. Burnett, A. Springstein, F. W. May, W. Hagadorne, A. Whitcomb, A. S. Fair, G. Stowe, I. H. Camburn, S. J. Brown, J. W. Crippen, Alfred Allen, D. Whitely, and W. Tuttle were examined and passed. The character of E. Van Norman was examined and passed, and he was granted a superannuate relation. Bro. Van Norman was favorably commended to the Committee of Eight on Claims, as a worthy claimant upon Conference funds for superannuates. A collection of eighty-four dollars and twenty-four cents for Bro. Van Norman's benefit was taken up in open session. The money was given into the custody of Robert Bird, with instructions to convey it to Bro. Van Norman, with expressions of the sympathy of his brethren.

J. F. Davidson, John S. Joslin and D. Whitely were appointed a committee on Church Extension.

Wm. Donnelly was appointed to receive money for the Sunday School Fund of the Board of Education.

Notice of charges and specifications against John Levington was given.

It was moved that these charges be referred to a committee of fifteen for trial. A substitute for the motion to so refer, that the charges be tried in open session, was offered, debated, and, later, withdrawn.

A motion that the charges be referred to the Presiding Elder of Detroit district for investigation in the interval of Conference, was lost by a count vote of forty-eight to sixty-four (48 to 64). A substitute offered for all then before the house, that the case be referred for examination to a committee, according to paragraph three hundred and twenty-three of the Discipline, was moved and adopted.

It was then ordered that the committee consist of fifteen, and that said committee be appointed by the presiding bishop.

Notice was given of an appeal by Isaac Crawford, a local elder, from a decision of Saginaw District Conference. The case with accompanying papers was referred to a committee of nine, and John Kelley was appointed to serve as counsel in behalf of the Church.

Notice of charges and specifications against S. P. Warner, for

maladministration, was given, and a committee of nine was ordered to try the case.

The time of the session was extended.

John Kelley was relieved from service as a Conference steward, and W. Hagadone was appointed to serve in his place.

The consideration of the Tenth Disciplinary Question was resumed, and the character of Seth Reed was examined and passed.

The President announced the following as the Committee of Fifteen to inquire into the charges against John Levington: William Taylor, chairman; Wm. X. Ninde, H. Hodskiss, Thomas Stalker, S. E. Warren, Wm. Fox, R. S. Pardington, F. E. York, C. W. Austin, John McEldowney, J. O. Bancroft, A. J. Richards, E. H. Brockway, A. J. Bigelow, John Hamilton and J. Frazer.

J. S. Smart was appointed to represent the Church as counsel in the case against John Levington.

J. R. Cordon was appointed to serve as a Conference steward, in place of R. S. Pardington.

The President appointed the following Committee of Nine to try the appeal by Isaac Crawford: B. S. Taylor, chairman; Jesse Kilpatrick, L. C. York, F. W. Warren, W. B. Holt, W. H. Benton, Geo. M. Lyon, George Stowe, J. B. Russell, and J. A. McIlwaine.

The President also appointed the following Committee of Nine to try the charges of maladministration against S. P. Warner: A. F. Bourns, I. N. Elwood, A. R. Hazen, S. B. Kimmell, J. H. McIntosh, S. L. Ramsdell, W. P. Maywood, J. Venning, and J. B. Goss.

J. A. McIlwaine was excused from service as a Conference steward, and J. W. Crippen was appointed to serve in his place.

S. L. Ramsdell was appointed to receive money and statements relating to the David Preston Fund for Albion College.

The Conference adjourned, notices were given, and the benediction was pronounced by E. H. Pilcher.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, September 5, 1873.

The session began at 8½ o'clock A.M., Bishop Wiley in the chair. The opening religious services were conducted by John Wesley.

The Journal of the second day's session was read and approved.

A report from the Trustees of Albion College was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

John Russell was excused from attendance upon the session.

J. H. McClure was granted a location at his own request.

The Tenth Disciplinary Question was resumed, and the characters of J. S. Smart, T. J. Joslin, B. S. Taylor, J. T. Hankinson, John Wesley, J. R. Cordon, A. B. Clough, J. O. Bancroft, A. J. Bigelow, S. E. Warren, R. Gage, A. R. Laing, C. M. Anderson, W. Birdsall, G. W. Owen, J. W. Scott, and J. E. Withey were examined and passed. The character of Hiram Hood was examined and passed, and he was placed on the superannuate list.

The characters of T. C. Gardner, A. F. Bourns, G. M. Lyon, M. J. Scott, A. R. Bartlett, A. W. Harding, J. W. Holt, E. E. Pearman, T. C. Higgins, S. P. Lee, J. H. McIntosh, T. G. Potter, W. P. Maywood, W. Donnelly, A. Shepard, B. H. Hedger, R. McConnell, G. R. Davis, J. M. Gordon, E. W. Frazee, L. Barnes, J. Frazer, E. Barry, F. E. York, T. G. Omans, C. L. Church and Peter Marksman were examined and passed.

The Fourth Disciplinary Question was considered. After replying affirmatively to the prescribed disciplinary questions, and after an appropriate address by Bishop Wiley, John M. Truscott, a deacon, was admitted into full connection. Daniel R. Shier was admitted into full connection and elected to deacon's orders. Richard Hudson Jr., a deacon, was admitted into full connection. Charles Locke, an elder, was continued on trial.

D. B. Millar was admitted into full connection and elected to deacon's orders. Edward Foster, a deacon, was admitted into full connection. Daniel Hall was continued on trial. J. M. Johnson was admitted into full connection and elected to deacon's orders. Geo. Deacon, a deacon, was admitted into full connection. Daniel J. Odell was admitted into full connection, and elected to deacon's orders. James E. Whalen was continued on trial.

Richard Hudson was placed upon the supernumerary list by reason of impaired health.

The vote by which Samuel Kitzmiller was made effective, September 3, was re-considered, and he was continued on the supernumerary list.

Rev. Elon Foster, of New York Conference, Aschel Chase, a lay delegate from Saginaw district, Rev. H. A. Barker, of the

Free-Will Baptist church in Ypsilanti, Mich., and David Preston, were introduced to the Conference.

The committee to try the charges of maladministration against S. P. Warner, reported as follows:

The committee in the case of S. P. Warner would report their decision and action in the form of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we find that specification first is sustained, and that the specification sustains the charge of maladministration.

Resolved, 2. That in our opinion the maladministration arose entirely from an oversight on the part of Bro. Warner, in omitting to sign his name to certain documents.

Resolved, 3. That we recommend that Bro. Warner's character pass.

A. F. BOURNS, Chairman; W. P. MAYWOOD,
I. N. ELWOOD, Secretary; S. L. RAMSDELL,
J. H. McINTOSH, J. VENNING.
J. B. GOSS,

The report was adopted.

A. B. Bartlett and T. G. Potter were appointed as assistant counsel in behalf of the Church, in the case of the appeal by Isaac Crawford.

Richard Kerr was placed upon the supernumerary list.

The Sixth Disciplinary Question was considered. The characters of James H. Kilpatrick, Horace Palmer, John M. Van Every and J. L. Walker were examined and passed, and they were continued as deacons of the second class.

When the name of Charles C. Lee was called, his withdrawal from the Church was announced. His parchments as an ordained deacon were returned to the Conference, and the Secretary was ordered to enter the name as withdrawn.

The Secretary nominated A. W. Wilson and A. B. Wood as assistant secretaries, and they were duly confirmed as such.

L. C. York was relieved from service on the Appeal Court in the case of Isaac Crawford, and E. Bibbins was appointed to serve in his place.

The Conference adjourned, notices were given, and the benediction was pronounced by J. W. Holt.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, September 6, 1873.

The session opened at the appointed hour, Bishop Wiley in the chair. The opening religious services were conducted by James F. Davidson.

The Journal of the third day's session was read, amended, and approved.

The presiding Bishop was by vote requested to appoint J. M. Arnold Sunday School Agent, and John Russell Temperance Agent.

The vote by which Marcenus B. Wiltsey was made effective, September 3, was reconsidered, and he was continued on the superannuate list.

The Seventh Disciplinary Question was considered. David Casler, Henry H. Smith, W. Edson Dunning, John Hamilton, Alvah B. Wood, Philip Wright, John G. Sparling, S. B. Kimmell, James A. Dunlap, Edward Steer, James Riley and Francis E. Pearce were examined and passed, and they were elected to elder's orders.

Bishop Ames, at this point, entered the conference-room, and was respectfully received by the Conference, standing.

C. C. Olds, of Michigan Conference, and E. O. Haven, corresponding secretary of the Board of Education, were introduced. The latter addressed the Conference on the subject of his labors.

T. J. Joslin, John McEldowney, and L. R. Fiske were appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the Board of Education in appropriating moneys collected within the Conference, for the Children's fund of the Board of Education.

The Fourth Disciplinary Question was resumed, and Thomas H. Baskerville, who had previously been examined according to Discipline, and whose character was examined and passed, was admitted into full connection and elected to deacon's orders.

The Nineteenth Question was considered. Edwin P. Peirce, being duly recommended by Detroit District Conference, John S. Priestley by Adrian District Conference, James Ellis by Flint District Conference, William Allington by the Quarterly Conference of Speaker Circuit, Nathan N. Clark by the Quarterly Conference of Forester, Alexander J. Holmes by the Quarterly Conference of Marion Circuit, and Frederick Porter by the Quarterly Conference of Phoenix and Alloway Circuit, were elected to deacon's orders.

The committee in the case of the appeal by Isaac Crawford, made the following report :

MINUTES OF THE TRIAL OF THE APPEAL OF ISAAC CRAWFORD FROM THE DECISION OF THE SAGINAW DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HELD AT SAGINAW CITY, AUG. 21, 1873.

The minutes of the Court below were presented and read.

A motion was made to entertain the appeal.

After discussion, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That because of the informality and imperfection in the record brought before us in the appeal of Isaac Crawford from the action of the Saginaw District Conference, the appeal cannot be entertained, and we hereby remand the case back for a new trial.

A. W. WILSON, Secretary.

Ypsilanti, Sept. 5, 1878.

The Court of Inquiry appointed to investigate the matter of charges against John Levington, September 4, made the following report, accompanied by the following papers:

The committee to whom was referred the papers in the case of John Levington, submit:

We have examined the charge and specifications, and recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, John Levington was at the last Annual Conference passed to the superannuated list because of mental unfitness for the work of our ministry; and, WHEREAS, the present charge and specifications are in a line of thought for which we believe he is not fully responsible; therefore,

Resolved, That the case be dismissed, and his character passed.

WM. TAYLOR, Chairman.

JOHN McELDOWNEY, Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE TO WHICH WAS REFERRED THE CHARGE AGAINST JOHN LEVINGTON.

The committee to which was referred the above named case, met at 2½ P. M., on Thursday, September 4, in the M. E. church, and adjourned to the lecture-room of the Presbyterian church for the work assigned them. The roll was called, and the following members of the committee were present: William Taylor, chairman; also Wm. X. Ninde, H. Hodskiss, S. E. Warren, Wm. Fox, R. S. Pardington, F. E. York, C. W. Austin, John McEldowney, J. O. Bancroft, A. J. Richards, E. H. Brockway, A. J. Bigelow, J. Hamilton and J. Frazer. T. Stalker was absent by reason of absence from the city. J. S. Smart was also present as counsel for the Church. The meeting was opened with prayer by Wm. Fox, and J. McEldowney was appointed secretary. The charge and specifications were read, and are as follows:

"TO THE DETROIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN SESSION AT YPSILANTI,
"SEPTEMBER 4, 1878:

"We, the undersigned, members of the M. E. church at Sheldon and Brighton, Detroit Conference, do hereby prefer the following charge and specifications against Rev. John Levington.

CHARGE—EVIL SPEAKING.

"*Specification 1.* In saying, in substance, in the *Methodist Free Press* a newspaper published at Rockford, Ill., of which he is the leading editor, in Vol. I., No. 16, January 9, 1873, that a paper was offered to the last Detroit Conference, and accepted by that body, which contained three daring falsehoods, and placed him in a superannuated relation.

"*Specification 2.* In saying in the above article in said *Methodist Free Press*, substantially, that the authors of that paper designed to kill him, as much as any assassin ever designed to kill his victim.

"*Specification 3.* In saying in the same article published as aforesaid in said *Methodist Free Press*, that 'Rev. L. C. York signed a paper containing such slanderous falsehoods as will hardly be paralleled; that he, York, then denied signing it; then admitted that he did sign it, and denied that he ever denied; and finally pretended that he had another paper in his possession.'

"*Specification 4.* In saying in the said *Methodist Free Press*, Vol. I., No. 8, November 14, 1872, substantially, that those who raised the money to pay the salary of Rev. Joseph Sutton, on Denton and Sheldon circuit, at the Sheldon appointment, at the close of his pastoral term in 1872, found it necessary to resort to falsehood in order to succeed.

"*Specification 5.* In saying in the same article in said *Methodist Free Press* that the exposure of the falsehood above referred to was anticipated, and that a plan was laid to cover it up.

"*Specification 6.* In saying in same article that 'the Lodgemen among the trustees who closed it (the church) against him, did not build and do not support it.'

(Signed.)

"C. W. SINES, Denton and Sheldon Circuit.

"WM. H. NAYLOR, Brighton Circuit."

The accused, J. Levington, not being present, the committee adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

FRIDAY, September 5, 1873—2 o'clock p. m.

The committee on the case of John Levington met as per adjournment, by call of the chairman, in the lecture-room of the Presbyterian church, Wm. Taylor, chairman, in the chair. The roll was called and the members all reported present except A. J. Richards.

Mr. Levington arose to take exception to the composition of the committee, objecting to seven of its members. The Chair decided the exception could not be taken, as the committee was appointed by the Conference, and on appeal of J. Levington the decision of the Chair was sustained.

To the charge J. Levington answered "Not guilty."

J. S. Smart, counsel for the Church, introduced a paper denominated the *Methodist Free Press*, Vol. I., No. 16, January 9, 1873, containing an article headed "From the Front," which J. Levington admitted to have been written by him.

Specification 1. Testimony was introduced from the above paper in which is found these words: "It will be remembered that at the last session of the Detroit Conference a paper was offered to that body for acceptance, and it was accepted. That paper contained three daring falsehoods concerning John Levington, and placed him in a superannuated relation.

Specification 2. The counsel, J. S. Smart, introduced the same paper above named, and from the same article adduced the words, "The fact is, the author of that paper designed to kill John Levington as much as any assassin ever designed to kill his victim."

Specification 3. The counsel for Church on third specification introduced the same paper above named, and from the same article "From the Front" these words: "It is only necessary to say that there was but one paper got up at the Conference; that paper is published with York's name signed to it, and it contains such slanderous falsehoods as will hardly be paralleled. Such is the paper that York says he helped to get up in Levington's favor. Such is the paper he signed, then denied signing it, then admitted that he did sign it, and then denied that he ever denied, and finally pretended that he had another paper in his possession."

Specification 4. The counsel introduced a newspaper with the title above given, the *Methodist Free Press*, Vol. I., No. 8, dated November 14, 1872, containing another article headed "From the Front," J. Levington admitting the writing of this article. From the article the counsel introduced the words: "They (explained by Levington to mean the people of Sheldon charge) were then raising the balance of the pastor's salary, or rather trying to raise it, and to succeed it was found necessary to deny that he was a Mason; but the trick did not succeed, for Barker did not pay the Knight Templar. As further illustration of method of the craft, I call attention to the fact that the exposure of falsehood was anticipated, and the above plan was laid in the course of day to cover it up."

Specification 5 was withdrawn by leave.

Specification 6. The paper last named was introduced, and from it the following paragraph in testimony on specification 6. "It should be observed that the men who desired me to lecture in the church are the men who built and still support it; and the Lodge men who closed it against them did not build it and do not support it."

The counsel then introduced the articles from the above named papers entitled "From the Front," as a whole, viz., articles found in Vol. I., No. 16, January 9, 1873, and Vol. I., No. 8, November 14, 1872, of the *Methodist Free Press*, and of which John Levington is one of the chief editors. The counsel further introduced a paper published in Chicago, Ill., called *The Christian Cynosure*, Vol. V., No. 12, January 31, 1873, as testimony in proof of the charge.

To the introduction of this paper and of any editorial therefrom as testimony in this case, Mr. Levington asked leave to enter his protest and objection.

The counsel cited witnesses and called L. C. York, who to questions submitted, answered thus:

I am pastor of the M. E. church in Brighton. Succeeded Bro. John Levington on that charge. The *Methodist Free Press* is circulated quite extensively over Brighton charge. Levington visited the charge during the year. I know from his published statement that he procured quite a number of subscribers the past year in addition to the number taken when I went there.

Charles W. Sines called and questioned, answered: I am a member of the M. E. church at Sheldon. Am steward. Have been member about twenty-four years. I know the trustees who closed the church against Bro. Levington. If I am rightly informed there is but one man among

them who is a Mason. There were five present at the meeting that closed the church. Four voted for closing and one for opening. Two of the four I know contributed to the building of the church. I was treasurer, and have the names. They had contributed, all four of them, toward the support of the church. The *Methodist Free Press* is circulated somewhat extensively. I am assistant postmaster, and think there were thirteen papers passed through the office. I am also trustee, and was present at the meeting above named.

QUESTION BY LEVINGTON. Are there members of secret societies living in that locality who are Masons besides the one spoken of in that meeting? The question was objected to, and the objection overruled. There are men who are reported to be Masons. I do not know that the Masons were opposed to opening the church for lecture. One man, whom I afterward learned to be a Mason, said he would be glad to hear the lecture.

QUESTION BY SMART. Are you or are you not a Mason? I am not.

Charles Andrews called and questioned, answered: I reside at Sheldon. Am member of the M. E. Church. I am steward and trustee; have been for between seven and eight years. I was present when the trustees voted not to open the church for J. Levington. It was near the close of the conference year in 1872. I am not a Mason. There was only one that I know of in that meeting who has been reported to be a Mason. The rest I believe were not. I aided in building the church. I aided in supporting the church at that time. I know there are some numbers of the *Methodist Free Press* taken in that community. I do not know how many.

ANSWERED TO QUESTIONS BY LEVINGTON. I voted not to open the church at that time. Did lodge men generally help build that church? I cannot answer. Do lodge men generally support that church now? Some of them do. Would they support it, do you think, if the pastor were not a Mason, and opposed to Masonry? Objected to.

Wm. Artley called and questioned, answered: I reside at Sheldon. Am member of the M. E. Church. I have been about five years. I was present when the trustees refused to open the church for Levington lectures. I am class-leader and trustee. I voted against opening the church. I am a Mason. I supported the church at that time. I helped to build it. I know there was no other Mason at that meeting.

QUESTION BY LEVINGTON ANSWERED: I contributed toward the building of that church.

C. W. Sines again called and questioned, answered: I am acquainted with Charles Andrews and Wm. Artley. I did not know whether these two contributed to build the church. The other two I do know helped to build it.

The counsel for the Church having concluded, Mr. Levington proposed to introduce testimony proving the truth of the articles published in the copies of the *Methodist Free Press* above named.

The Chair decided that proof on this point is not admissible.

Mr. Levington wished to enter his protest against the decision of the Chair, in rejecting witnesses on the above point.

The Minutes of the committee were called for, read, corrected, and approved as above.

On motion of Bro. Bancroft, it was directed that the proceedings be reported to the Conference, signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and submitted as the testimony in the case.

WM. TAYLOR, Chairman.

JOHN McELDOWNEY, Secretary
Ypsilanti, Sept. 6, 1873.

A motion was made to adopt the resolution reported by the Committee of Inquiry. Pending debate, the time of the session was extended.

The Conference adjourned at ten minutes past noon. Notices were given, and the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Ames.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, September 8, 1873.

The Conference met at the usual hour, Bishop Wiley in the chair.

C. M. Anderson conducted the opening religious services.

The Journal of the fourth day's session was read and approved.

Bishop Wiley presented the following certificates of ordinations:

I hereby certify that I ordained the following persons as deacons in the M. E. Church: Daniel R. Shier, D. B. Millar, John M. Johnson, Daniel J. Odell, Thomas H. Baskerville, Edwin P. Peirce, John S. Priestley, James Ellis, Wm. Allington, Nathan N. Clark, Alexander J. Holmes, Frederick Porter.

E. R. AMES.

Done at Ypsilanti, Mich., Sept. 7, 1873.

September 8.

ELDERS.

David Casler, Henry H. Smith, W. Edson Dunning, John Hamilton, Philip Wright, Alva B. Wood, Samuel B. Kimmell, Edward Steer, Francis E. Pierce, John G. Sparling, James A. Dunlap, James Riley.

This certifies that the above named persons were by me, assisted by five elders, ordained to the office and work of elders in the Church of God.

Done at Ypsilanti, Mich., Sept. 7, 1873.

I. W. WILEY.

Flavel Brittain was placed upon the superannuate list.

The character of Robert Bird, a supernumerary, was examined and passed, and he placed upon the effective list.

The consideration of the Ninth Disciplinary Question was resumed, and the character of D. Burnham Tracy was examined and passed, and he was continued in his superannuate relation.

The report of the Committee of Inquiry in the case of John Levington, pending at the hour of adjournment on Saturday,

Sept. 6, was called up. A motion offered as a substitute, that John Levington be made effective, was laid on the table. The previous question on the report of the Committee of Inquiry was ordered. Pending the vote, the following amendments were moved, to-wit: in the second member of the preamble, strike out all the words between the words "specifications" and "which," and insert the words, "pertain to questions concerning;" also to insert in the same sentence, after the word "responsible," the words, "for his course;" so that the second member of the preamble as amended shall read:

Whereas, The present charge and specifications pertain to questions concerning which we believe he is not fully responsible for his course.

The report as amended was adopted. John Levington was then continued on the superannuate list.

Rev. Geo. P. Tyndall, Rev. Mr. Boyden, and Rev. Mr. Hall, pastors, respectively, of the Presbyterian, the Baptist, and the African Methodist Episcopal churches in Ypsilanti, were introduced to the Conference. The first made remarks expressive of the fraternity of the Presbyterian Synod of Michigan, and the second of that of the Baptist Church. Rev. H. O. Sheldon, and Rev. D. Rutledge, agent of the Freedmen's Aid Society, were also introduced.

The following communication was read and referred to a committee of three.

TO THE DETROIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH, AT YPSILANTI, MICH.:

Dear Brethren.—In the name of the Master, and in behalf of the Congregational churches of Michigan, we, the members, a committee appointed for the purpose at our last annual meeting, earnestly petition your body to unite with us in endeavoring to secure some plan of inter-denominational co-operation in reference to the organization of feeble churches in our state.

In the past, it is well known, that each denomination has labored for its own interest, with too little regard for the interests of others, or for the common good. One result of this is, that in newer settlements especially, churches are multiplied more with reference to "isms" than for the spread of the gospel.

Brethren, let us never forget the commission of the great Master under which we all labor. What strife, what dissension, and what bitterness often arise because we forget that the work of God is one! Who, we ask, would think of planting in the name of *Christianity* three or four starvling churches in every little mush-room town all over the land? Would this be Christian economy? And yet, is not this in part the work which the different evangelical denominations are doing? Could there be some

fraternal co-operation between these different denominations in reference to the matter, we believe that money, contributed for Christian purposes, might be more wisely expended, a better spirit would exist between us, a more healthy growth of religion would be secured, and our great Head would be more honored; and therefore we ask your aid in this good work.

This question has come to the surface in many annual meetings during the past year. All seem to lament the present order of things as contrary to Christian charity, Christian economy, and Christian progress. All seem to be inquiring in reference to it—"Who will show us any good?"

What we need most of all, as it appears to us, is to be saved from one another. Each denomination ought to be made secure from every other. It is hard to contend against our enemies without contending against our friends. It is evident that no one denomination can *alone* secure the desired result. There must be co-operation if anything is accomplished. Now, dear brethren, we ask your wisdom, your prayers, and your help. As denominations, have we not all sinned in this regard? And would not some co-operative plan by which we could help, rather than hinder, each other in the work of the gospel, be a work meet for repentance? If our endeavor meets with your approval, we respectfully ask the appointment of a committee by your body to confer with us, and committees of other evangelical bodies, in reference to some plan of operation which may be reported back for the action of the respective bodies which are represented.

ORANGE H. SPOOR, }
L. P. SPILMAN, } Committee.
WM. P. RUSSELL, }

The Committee to Nominate Committees for 1874 were instructed to nominate seven elders as "Triers of Appeals," required by paragraph three hundred and fifty-three of the Discipline.

The Twenty-third Disciplinary Question was considered. Adrian, Romeo, Birmingham and Flint were nominated, respectively, as the seat of the session of 1874. Romeo was chosen as the seat of our next session.

J. A. McIlwaine and J. S. Smart were excused from attendance upon the remaining sessions of the Conference of 1873.

The Committee on Temperance made their report, which was adopted. [See Reports **A.**]

The Committee on Tract Cause made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **B.**]

The communication from a committee of Congregationalists previously read at this session was referred to the following persons as the committee already ordered: L. R. Fiske, J. H. McCarty and O. Whitmore.

Rev. J. M. Reid, D.D., a corresponding secretary of the

Missionary Society, who was introduced, made an address touching Missionary methods and plans.

The consideration of the Fourth Disciplinary Question was resumed, and the character of James E. Whalen was examined and passed, and he was admitted into full connection and elected to deacon's orders.

The Committee on the Bible Cause made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports C.]

The Committee on Education made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports D.] David Preston and Otis A. Critchett were duly elected, by ballot, trustees of Albion College, as recommended in the report. Arthur Edwards and W. W. Washburn were re-elected trustees of Northwestern University, as similarly recommended.

It was moved to recommend a Michigan State Methodist Convention, to appoint a committee of five to make arrangements for the same. The motion prevailed, and the Michigan Annual Conference was also requested to appoint a committee of arrangements to co-operate with the Detroit Conference Committee just authorized. The motion prevailed, and E. O. Haven, S. Reed, E. H. Pilcher, David Preston and Henry Fish were appointed as the Committee of Arrangements for said convention.

J. M. Phillips addressed the conference respecting the interests of the New York Book Concern.

It was ordered that, when the conference adjourn, it adjourn to meet at three o'clock this afternoon.

Notices were given, the doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by J. S. Smart, and the Conference adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, September 8, 1873.

The session began at 3 o'clock pursuant to adjournment, E. O. Haven in the chair, by appointment from Bishop Wiley. A. R. Bartlett conducted the opening religious services.

The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

The Committee on Periodicals made a report. A motion to lay the second resolution on the table prevailed, and the first resolution with the rest of the report prevailed. [See Reports E.]

A. J. Bigelow, J. H. McCarty and J. Hamilton were appointed a committee to report on the subject of the Ladies and Pastors' Christian Union.

A paper relating to the Use of Tobacco was referred to the Committee on Temperance. This Committee on Temperance reported the following resolutions touching the use of tobacco, which were adopted. [See Reports **F.**]

Wm. Donnelly was authorized to pay over all funds in his hands collected by him for the Freedmen's Aid Society to J. M. Phillips of the New York Book Concern.

The Committee on the Freedmen's Cause made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **G.**]

The Mission Auditing Committee made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **H.**]

The Committee on Ministerial Education made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **I.**]

The following paper was adopted :

WHEREAS, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has been recognized by the authorities of the Church and the Methodist press generally, as a legitimate and indispensable auxiliary in the Missionary cause; and

WHEREAS, The growth of this Society in this state is largely due to the efficient labors of the secretary, Miss Rulison; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we recognize Miss Rulison as a faithful and efficient collaborer in the Gospel, and will welcome her to our charges.

2. That we recommend that she be retained in this agency for the ensuing year.

J. F. DAVIDSON,

J. M. ARNOLD.

The Committee on Parsonages made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **J.**]

The Committee on Church Extension made a report, which was adopted.

The following resolutions appended to the report were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That, in our opinion, the cause of Church Extension is one of vast importance to the success of the gospel in all our borders—that it is one of the great agencies of the Church.

2. That we will give *careful attention* to this great Christian enterprise, and do what we can to increase its funds and power.

3. That great *care* should be taken in the distribution of the funds of the society, so that the churches in one locality shall not be robbed to supply the wants of another.

It was ordered that seventy-five dollars be paid out of the Conference Missionary treasury for publication of missionary matter in the minutes, and twenty-five dollars from the Church Extension treasury for publication of church extension matter in the minutes.

The Committee to Nominate Committees for 1874 reported as follows :

Committee on Education—B. F. Cooker, N. Greene, J. W. Crippen.

Ministerial Education—W. X. Ninde, John McEldowney, A. F. Bourns.

Periodicals—T. G. Potter, W. H. Shier, J. Horton.

Bible Cause—E. E. Caster, J. O. Bancroft, A. B. Clough.

Sunday Schools—I. N. Elwood, J. R. Cordon, John Hamilton.

Temperance—T. Stalker, John Russell, Joseph Traner.

Conference Stewards—L. C. York, A. B. Wood, S. R. Ramsdell.

Parsonages—R. S. Pardington, N. W. Pierce, Wm. Donnelly.

Mission Auditors—J. S. Smart, Wm. Taylor, E. Barry.

Tracts—L. Barnes, A. R. Bartlett, A. J. Bigelow.

Church Extension—S. Clements, Eli Westlake, C. M. Anderson.

Post Office—H. H. Smith.

Missions—The Presiding Elders.

Freedmen—J. M. Fuller, S. E. Warren, J. S. Sutton.

Memoirs—W. W. Washburn, W. Fox, J. F. Davidson.

Sanctity of the Sabbath—L. R. Fiske, W. Hagadorne, W. P. Maywood.

Statistics—W. H. Benton, C. T. Allen, W. J. Campbell.

The following seven elders, nominated by the same committee as Triers of Appeals, were duly elected as such by the Conference :

Samuel Clements, T. G. Potter, Wm. Fox, John A. McIlwaine, A. J. Richards, Jesse Kilpatrick, L. R. Fiske, T. J. Joslin.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **K.**]

The Conference adjourned ; notices were given, the doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by J. F. Davidson.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, September 9, 1873.

The session opened at nine o'clock A. M., Seth Reed in the chair by appointment from Bishop Wiley.

A. F. Bourns conducted the opening religious services.

Bishop Wiley took the chair just at the close of the opening exercises.

The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

The Committee on Statistics made their report, which was adopted. [See Reports **L.**]

The Committee on Statistics for 1874 was by resolution instructed to furnish blanks to all the presiding elders prior to the sessions of the district conferences of 1874.

The Conference Stewards made a report, which was adopted. The report as published shows to whom the several appropriated amounts were given in custody. The estimate for the coming year was confirmed. [See Reports **M.**]

At the close of the report Bishop Wiley made earnest remarks to impress the sacred obligations upon every pastor to do his full duty in the matter of collections for conference claimants.

J. M. Arnold made a report of moneys raised in the Conference for the support of the bishops. [See Reports **N.**]

The committee to which was referred the communication from Michigan Congregationalists made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **O.**]

The committee authorized by the report was constituted by the appointment of L. R. Fiske, J. McEldowney, and D. C. Jacokes.

The following sales of church property were authorized: The old church lot at Tawas City, Mich.; the church site at Walled Lake, Mich.; the church and parsonage property at Rochester, Mich.; the parsonage at Grass Lake, Mich.; the church property at Mt. Vernon, Mich.; the parsonage at St. Clair, Mich.; the parsonage at Saginaw City, Mich.; the parsonage at Hancock, Mich.

The Conference Missionary Secretary presented a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **P.**]

The Conference Missionary Treasurer made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **Q.**]

The Committee on Ladies and Pastors' Christian Union made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports **R.**]

The officers nominated by the submitted constitution were duly elected. Pending the report, Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer, corresponding secretary of the Union, who was introduced, made an address concerning her work.

J. M. Arnold was made treasurer of the Conference Episcopal Fund for the coming year.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, There is a deficit of five hundred dollars on the Bishops' claim of this year; and

WHEREAS, Said deficiency involves a subscription of the same amount in behalf of the East Saginaw Church; therefore,

Resolved, That in all those charges where said collections have not been taken, the pastors are requested to take the same on the fourth Sabbath in September and forward the same to J. M. Arnold.

O. J. PERRIN,
L. R. FISKE,
J. H. McCARTY.

The Committee on Temperance for the session of 1874 was instructed to report a constitution for a Conference Temperance Society.

The Treasurer of the Conference Sunday School Union made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports S.]

The Committee on the Sanctity of the Sabbath made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports T.]

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Resolved, That we express the great gratification afforded us by the presence and impartial administration of Bishop I. W. Wiley at the present session of this Conference.

Resolved, That we cordially request him to visit this body, and within the bounds of this Conference, whenever his official duties will allow, and that our prayer for him shall be for a long life and a career of great usefulness.

R. S. PARDINGTON,
D. C. JACOBS,
L. R. FISKE.

The Committee on Missions made a report, which was adopted. [See Reports U.]

The President nominated officers for the Conference Church Extension Board. These officers were duly elected. [See list of Conference officers.]

The First Disciplinary Question was considered, and Bishop Wiley presented the following certificate :

This certifies that J. B. Atchison, a deacon of the Western New York Conference, M. B. Chapman, an elder of the New England Conference, and W. W. Wheaton, an elder of the West Wisconsin Conference, are hereby transferred to the Detroit Conference of the M. E. Church.

I. W. WILEY.

Ypsilanti, Sept. 8, 1873.

The Second Disciplinary Question was considered, and the following, being duly recommended as follows, were admitted on trial: Edwin P. Peirce, by Detroit District Conference; Charles R. Kellerman, by the same; Henry Northrup, by Evanston Quarterly Conference, Rock River Conference; John W. Campbell, by Ann Arbor District Conference; William H. Osborne, by

Adrian District Conference; Ulysses S. Stedman, by the Flint District Conference; Wm. M. Campbell, whose orders as elder in the Congregational Church were recognized, by Saginaw District Conference; Edmund W. Borden, by Flint District Conference; John Storrer, by Saginaw District Conference; Frederick Strong, by the same; Lewis P. Davis, by Evanston Quarterly Conference, Rock River Conference; William Dawe, by Centenary Quarterly Conference, Rock River Conference; Alexander J. Holmes, by Marion Quarterly Conference; Edwin Craven, by Marquette Quarterly Conference; John S. Paull, by Phoenix and Alloway Quarterly Conference.

After giving adhesion to our Doctrines and Discipline, the orders of Osmer B. Hale, an elder in the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, were recognized, and the orders of Joseph Ashford, an elder in the Church of Bible Christians, were also recognized, and they were admitted into full connection.

The vote by which Edmund W. Borden was at this session admitted on trial, was reconsidered, and the motion to receive him on trial did not prevail.

The President announced the following list of appointments for the session of 1874:

EXAMINING COMMITTEES FOR 1874.

For Admission on Trial—A. J. Richards, W. J. Clack, Thos. Nichols.

First Year—W. W. Washburn, J. S. Sutton, Joseph Frazer.

Second Year—T. G. Potter, W. Q. Burnett, S. E. Warren.

Third Year—James Venning, A. B. Clough, Geo. Stowe.

Fourth Year—J. M. Fuller, H. W. Hicks, G. W. Lowe.

Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders—L. Barnes, J. S. Joslin, N. N. Pierce.

Local Deacons for Elder's Orders—J. H. McIntosh, C. W. Austin, S. P. Murch.

To Preach Missionary Sermon—A. F. Bourns; alternate, T. G. Potter.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to Rev. J. M. Fuller and his estimable wife, for the very admirable manner in which they have provided for our entertainment during the session of this Conference; and also to the people of Ypsilanti for their generous hospitality. We assure them that we construe their kindness into a polite invitation to come again at an early day.

J. H. McCARTY,
H. W. HICKS,
W. W. WASHBURN.

The following resolution was also adopted:

Resolved, That we as a Conference acknowledge our obligations to Dr. Arthur Edwards, our secretary, and that we tender our sincere thanks to him for the efficient manner in which he has performed the duties of his office.

W. W. WASHBURN,
D. CASLER,
S. REED.

The Committee on Memoirs made a report, which was adopted.
[See Reports V.]

It was ordered that all pastors, either in this or the Michigan Conference, who serve in towns where sister denominations hold conventions, be authorized as fraternal delegates of this Conference to such bodies.

It was ordered that after religious exercises and the reading of the appointments the Conference be adjourned.

The two hundred and twenty-first hymn was read by Bishop Wiley and sung by the audience; E. H. Pilcher led the Conference in prayer; the Presiding Bishop read the appointments in answer to the Twenty-second Disciplinary Question, the doxology was sung, and Bishop Wiley pronounced the benediction.

And so, in its turn, the Eighteenth Session of the Detroit Annual Conference adjourned.

I. W. WILEY, President.

ARTHUR EDWARDS, Secretary.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *Have any entered this Conference by transfer or re-admission ?*

ANSWER.—1. *By transfer:* Wm. B. Holt, an elder, from Michigan Conference. J. B. Atchison, a deacon, from Western New York Conference. M. B. Chapman, an elder, from New England Conference. W. W. Wheaton, an elder, from West Wisconsin Conference.

QUESTION 2. *Who are admitted on trial ?*

ANSWER.—Edwin P. Peirce, Charles R. Kellerman, Henry C. Northrup, John W. Campbell, William H. Osborne, Ulysses S. Stedman, William M. Campbell, John Storrer, Frederick Strong, Lewis P. Davis, William Dawe, Alexander J. Holmes, Edwin Craven, John S. Paull.

QUESTION 3. *Who remain on trial ?*

ANSWER.—Samuel G. Bettis, Franklin Bradley, Frederick W. Porter, John S. Priestley, William Allington, Nathan N. Clark, Roland Woodhams, Henry W. Thompson, Charles Locke, Daniel Hall, James E. Whalen.

QUESTION 4. *Who are admitted into full connection ?*

ANSWER.—*By graduation*—John M. Truscott, Dan. R. Shier, Richard Hudson, Daniel B. Millar, Edward Foster, J. M. Johnson, George Deacon, Daniel J. Odell, Thomas H. Baskerville, James E. Whalen.

By recognition of orders from other Methodist bodies—Osmer B. Hale, an elder, from the Church of United Brethren in Christ. Joseph Ashford, an elder, from the Church of Bible Christians.

QUESTION 5. *Who are the deacons of the First Class ?*

ANSWER.—John M. Truscott, Dan. R. Shier, Richard Hudson, Daniel B. Millar, Edward Foster, J. M. Johnson, George Deacon, Daniel J. Odell, Thomas H. Baskerville, Jonathan B. Atchison.

QUESTION 6. *Who are the deacons of the Second Class ?*

ANSWER.—James H. Kilpatrick, Horace Palmer, John M. Van Every, James L. Walker.

QUESTION 7. *Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?*

ANSWER.—David Casler, Henry H. Smith, W. Edson Dunning, John Hamilton, Alvah B. Wood, Philip Wright, John S. Sparling, S. B. Kim-mell, James A. Dunlap, Edward Steer, James Riley, Francis E. Pierce.

QUESTION 8. *Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

ANSWER.—Curtis Mosher, Richard Hudson, Samuel Kitzmiller, Richard Kerr.

QUESTION 9. *Who are the superannuated preachers?*

ANSWER.—Marcenas B. Wiltsey, A. C. Shaw, J. E. Parker, Lyman H. Dean, Robert Triggs, Andrew Bell, John Gray, E. B. Prindle, John Pugh, Jacob Dobbins, Samuel Bibbins, Ira W. Donelson, D. B. Tracy, Ebenezer Steele, George Wilson, Sylvester Calkins, Erastus R. Hascall, Rufus C. Crane, George Taylor, Lewis Mitchell, William Mahon, Erastus Klumph, William Benson, Luther Lee, Thomas Seeleye, P. O. Johnson, F. A. Blades, Manasseh Hickey, Ephraim Van Norman, Hiram Hood, Flavel Brittain, John Levington.

QUESTION 10. *Was the character of each preacher examined?*

ANSWER.—Their names were all called in open Conference, and their characters examined and passed, as the Journal of the session shows.

QUESTION 11. *Have any located?*

ANSWER.—John H. McClure.

QUESTION 12. *Have any withdrawn?*

ANSWER.—Charles C. Lee.

QUESTION 13. *Have any been transferred, and to what conference?*

ANSWER.—James H. McCarty, to Michigan Conference.

QUESTION 14. *Have any been expelled?*

ANSWER.—No.

QUESTION 15. *Have any died?*

ANSWER.—Solomon S. Littlefield. See report of committee on Me-moira.

QUESTION 16. *What is the statistical report?*

ANSWER.—In statistical tables.

QUESTION 17. *What are the claims upon the Conference fund?*

ANSWER.—See report of the Board of Conference Stewards.

QUESTION 18. *What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?*

ANSWER.—See the report of the Board of Conference Stewards.

QUESTION 19. *Have any local preachers been ordained?*

ANSWER.—Ordained Deacons—Edwin P. Peirce, John S. Priestley, James Ellis, William Allington, Nathan N. Clark, Alexander J. Holmes, Frederick Porter.

2. *Deacons ordained elders?*—None.

QUESTION 20. *Are any of our literary or theological institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?*

ANSWER.—See reports of committees on "Education," and "Ministerial Education."

QUESTION 21. *Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?*

ANSWER.—See list of Conference Societies.

QUESTION 22. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

ANSWER.—

DETROIT DISTRICT—E. H. PILCHER, P. E.

Detroit—

Central Church, L. R. Fiske and J. B. Atchison.	Dearborn and Inkster, J. R. Noble.
Trinity, to be supplied.	Leesville and Warren, G. W. Owen.
Simpson Church, T. Stalker.	Plymouth, W. Hagadone.
Jefferson Avenue, A. R. Bartlett.	Belleville, J. S. Sutton.
Sixteenth St. and Greenfield, L. P. Davis.	Birmingham, J. A. McIlwaine.
Trenton, J. W. Crippen.	Royal Oak, W. H. Benton.
Wyandotte, H. O. Parker.	Farmington, R. Bird.
Flat Rock, J. H. Kilpatrick.	Northville, N. Greene.
Monroe, J. C. Wortley.	Commerce, E. Barry.
Wayne, J. S. Joslin.	Southfield, A. Gee.
	New Boston, N. Newton.
	Walled Lake, J. H. Curnalia,
	Denton and Sheldon, H. N. Brown.

Wm. X. Ninde, professor in Garrett Biblical Institute, member of Central Quarterly Conference.

J. M. Arnold, Sunday-School agent, member of Simpson Quarterly Conference.

Arthur Edwards, editor *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, member of Central Quarterly Conference. John Russell, state temperance agent, member of Simpson Church Quarterly Conference.

L. W. Pilcher, missionary to China.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—S. REED, P. E.

Ann Arbor, W. H. Shier.	Pinckney, D. R. Shier.
Dixboro', S. Bessey.	Lima and North Lake, L. J. Whitcomb.
Ypsilanti, J. M. Fuller.	Hamburgh, B. F. Pritchard.
Augusta, F. E. Pierce.	Brighton, L. C. York.
Oakville, J. B. Varnum.	South Lyon and New Hudson, S. E. Warren.
Milan, J. M. Truscott.	Salem and Northfield, J. H. Caster.
Saline, W. J. Campbell.	Milford, J. F. Davidson.
Dexter, H. C. Northrup.	Iosco and Genoa, C. Locke.
Chelsea, J. W. Campbell.	Unadilla, J. B. Russell.
Leoni, C. R. Kellerman.	Dansville, R. C. Lanning.
Waterloo, A. W. Wilson.	
Grass Lake, R. S. Pardington.	
Henrietta, W. M. Triggs.	

E. O. Haven, secretary Board of Education, member of Ann Arbor Quarterly Conference.

B. F. Cocker, professor Michigan University, member of Ann Arbor Quarterly Conference.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—O. WHITMORE, P. E.

Adrian, A. F. Bourns.	Blissfield, W. C. Way.
Clinton and Macon, C. T. Allen.	Petersburg and Deerfield, J. G. Whitcomb.
Tecumseh, S. Clements.	Lambertville, E. Bibbins.
Manchester, G. W. Lowe.	Dundee, J. S. Priestley.
Napoleon and Brooklyn, O. B. Hale.	Ridgeway, G. H. Field.
Franklin, T. Nichols.	Clayton, W. E. Dunning.
Addison, A. R. Hazen.	Sharon, A. W. Harding.
Hudson, D. C. Jacokes.	Palmyra and Wellsville, H. Palmer.
Morenci, I. N. Elwood.	Medina, E. P. Peirce.
Fairfield, S. P. Murch.	

FLINT DISTRICT—W. E. BIGELOW, P. E.

Flint—	Vernon, N. W. Peirce.
Court St., J. McEldowney.	Corunna, J. Kilpatrick.
Garland St., J. Horton.	Laingsburg, S. Bird.
Davison, L. S. Tedman.	Highland, E. Westlake.
Otisville, D. B. Millar.	Hartland, W. M. Campbell, and one to be supplied.
Mt. Morris, C. W. Austin.	Byron, E. H. Brockway.
Flushing, J. G. Morgan.	Oak Grove, J. Balls.
Hazelton, T. Wakelin.	Perry, H. Hodskiss.
Swart Creek, J. B. Goss.	Howell, S. B. Kimmell.
Grand Blanc, H. W. Hicks.	Fowlerville, S. P. Warner.
Davisburg, J. W. Scott.	Leroy, H. W. Thompson.
Holly, O. Sanborn.	Williamston, A. Allen.
Fenton, W. W. Washburn.	Owosso and Bennington, W. J. Clack.
Linden, J. Hamilton.	
Gaines, W. Birdsall.	

SAGINAW DISTRICT—O. J. PERRIN, P. E.

East Saginaw—	Hope and Lincoln, to be supplied by Wm. Bradley.
Jefferson St., D. Casler.	St. Charles, A. S. Fair.
Hess St. and Bridgeport, F. W. May.	Chessaning, J. T. Hankinson.
Mission, to be supplied.	New Haven, to be supplied by H. T. Evans.
Saginaw City—	Mongerville, S. J. Brown.
Washington Ave., J. Venning.	Vassar, A. J. Richards.
Ames Church, Carrolton, and Zilwaukee, J. Riley.	Tuscalo and Cass Bridge, E. Foster.
Bay City—	Millington and Pearsonville, A. Whitcomb.
Washington St., J. Kelly.	Mayville, I. H. Camburn.
Fremont Ave., F. W. Warren.	Watrous ville, D. J. Odell.
Wenona, W. Q. Burnett.	Dayton and Newberry, S. G. Bettis.
Kawkawlin, John Storrer.	Caro, W. P. Maywood.
Saganning Indian Mission, D. Hall.	Cass City and Ellington, Joseph Ashford.
Standish and Pininconning, to be supplied by T. E. Madden.	Unionville, J. A. Dunlap.
Aromac and Pine River, A. Springstien.	Reese, Frederick Strong.
Midland City, D. Whiteley.	Cassville, R. Woodhams.
Tittabawassee, J. G. Sparling.	
Hemlock City and Swan Creek, W. Tuttle.	

ROMEO DISTRICT—W. Fox, P. E.

Romeo, E. Caster.	Brandon and Oakwood, to be supplied by N. G. Lyons.
Pontiac, T. J. Joslin.	Armada, A. R. Laing.
Troy, B. H. Hedger.	Almont, F. E. York.
Utica, B. S. Taylor.	Dryden, E. Gage.
Mt. Clemens, C. Simpson.	Goodrich, S. L. Ramsdell.
Chesterfield, John Wesley.	Hadley, G. M. Lyon.
Washington, C. M. Anderson.	Lapeer, A. J. Bigelow.
Rochester, A. B. Clough.	Attica, J. E. Withey.
Orion, J. R. Cordon.	Imlay City, W. H. Osborn.
Clarkston, A. B. Wood.	North Branch, L. L. Houghton.
Oxford, J. O. Bancroft.	Marlette, D. W. Hammond.

PORT HURON DISTRICT—T. C. GARDNER, P. E.

Port Huron, J. S. Smart.	Lexington, W. Taylor.
Gratiot, T. C. Higgins.	Davisville, H. H. Smith.
Marysville, M. J. Scott.	Port Sanilac, S. P. Lee.
St. Clair, M. B. Chapman.	Forrester, W. B. Holt.
Algonac, to be supplied by John Sweet.	Sand Beach, D. O. Ball.
Memphis and Wales, J. W. Holt.	Minden, Geo. Deacon.
Richmond and Columbus, R. McConnell.	Port Hope, F. Bradley.
Adair, to be supplied by Walter Preston.	Tawas, T. G. Potter.
	Au Sable, G. Stowe.
	Harrisville, J. H. McIntosh.
	Alpena, W. Donnelly.

Marine City, U. Stedman.

Brockway, J. L. Walker.

Ruby, E. E. Pearman.

Lakeport, N. N. Clark.

G. R. Davis, missionary to China.

Capac, A. Shepard.

Deckerville, A. J. Holmes.

Speaker, W. Allington.

Port Austin, W. W. Wheaton.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—J. M. GORDON, P. E.

Marquette, J. M. Johnson.

Negaunee, E. W. Frazee.

Ishpeming, L. Barnes.

Washington and Michigamme, E.

Steer, to be supplied by Isaac

Wilcox.

Escanaba, T. H. Baskerville.

L'Anse and Huron Bay, J. N. Van

Every.

Houghton, J. Frazer.

Hancock, T. Wilkinson.

Calumet and Alloway, F. Porter, W.

Dawe.

Phoenix and Clifton, Philip Wright.

Central and Copper Falls, T. G.

Omans.

Atlantic Mine, to be supplied by J.

J. Hodge.

Rockland and Maple Grove, C. L.

Church.

Ontonagon and Iron River, J. E.

Whalen.

Menomonee, to be supplied.

Fayette, John S. Paull.

Grand Island, Edwin Craven.

Iroquois Indian Mission and Sault

St. Marie, I. Johnston.

Kewawenon Indian Mission, P.

Marksman.

J. H. McCarty transferred to Michigan Conference.

QUESTION 23. *Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*

ANSWER.—Romeo; at a time to be fixed by the Bishop.

OUR OWN DEPARTED.

NAME.	Age.	DIED.		ADMITTED.	
		Place.	Date.	Conference.	Year.
James V. Watson	42	Chicago	Oct. 17, 1856	Missouri	1832
Wellington H. Collins...	42	Detroit	Aug. 11, 1856	Michigan	1837
Robert Dubois	39	Ann Arbor	Feb. 28, 1860	Michigan	1844
William Mothersill	48	Holly	Nov. 8, 1862	Michigan	1840
Jonathan Blanchard	47	Ann Arbor	Mar. 22, 1864	Michigan	1838
Francis L. West	25	Chattanooga	Jan. 5, 1863	Detroit	1861
Giles N. Belknap	55	Napoleon	April 13, 1866	Michigan	1848
Aaron Watkins	29	Albany, N. Y.	Mar. 19, 1867	Detroit	1863
Joseph Shank	49	Fentonville	Sep. 30, 1867	Oneida	1841
Isaac C. Cochran	46	Utica	Oct. 25, 1867	Detroit	1861
William H. Hevener	61	Owosso	Oct., 1867	Michigan	1854
John A. Baughman	65	Detroit	Mar. 1, 1868	Ohio	1823
George Smith	59	Ann Arbor	May 4, 1868	Ohio	1833
William Todd	78	Erie, Pa.	May 15, 1869	New York	1823
James F. Dorey	32	Manchester	Aug. 2, 1869	Detroit	1862
Ransom R. Richards	60	Hudson	July 13, 1872	Michigan	1837
Solomon S. Littlefield	43	Detroit	Dec. 3, 1872	Michigan	1854

CHURCH HEADQUARTERS.

Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 805 Broadway, New York City.

Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 24 Van Buren St. (after November, 1873, at 59 Washington St., Chicago.

Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 913 North Sixth St., St. Louis, Mo.

Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 189 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

Church Extension Headquarters, 1018 Arch St., Philadelphia.

Freedmen's Aid Headquarters, 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

THE EIGHTEEN SESSIONS.

No.	DATE.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1...	September 17, 1856.....	Adrian.....	Morris.....	S. Reed.
2...	September 2, 1857.....	Port Huron.....	Wagh.....	S. Reed.
3...	September 8, 1858.....	Ypsilanti.....	Baker.....	S. Reed.
4...	September 28, 1859.....	Pontiac.....	Janes.....	S. Reed.
5...	September 26, 1860.....	Dexter.....	Morris.....	S. Clements.
6...	September 25, 1861.....	Detroit.....	Ames.....	S. Clements.
7...	September 24, 1862.....	Ann Arbor.....	Scott.....	S. Clements.
8...	September 16, 1863.....	Romeo.....	Simpson.....	S. Clements.
9...	September 14, 1864.....	Adrian.....	Baker.....	W. H. Perrine.
10...	September 13, 1865.....	Flint.....	Clark.....	W. H. Perrine.
11...	September 5, 1866.....	Hudson.....	Ames.....	E. H. Pilcher.
12...	September 4, 1867.....	Saginaw City.....	Janes.....	E. H. Pilcher.
13...	August 28, 1868.....	Ann Arbor.....	Ames.....	C. C. Yemans.
14...	September 1, 1869.....	Detroit.....	Scott.....	A. Edwards.
15...	August 24, 1870.....	Fenton.....	Clark.....	A. Edwards.
16...	September 13, 1871.....	Monroe.....	Simpson.....	A. Edwards.
17...	September 4, 1872.....	East Saginaw.....	Ames.....	A. Edwards.
18...	September 8, 1873.....	Ypsilanti.....	Wiley.....	A. Edwards.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

[A.] .

ON TEMPERANCE.

(Adopted September 8th.)

We here reaffirm our oft-uttered sentiments as a Conference upon the subject of Temperance. Nothing which we have ever said as a Conference do we desire now to retract or modify. Our convictions only deepen with the lapse of time. We believe that intemperance in the use of ardent spirits is not only a great evil, but it is *the great evil* of this day. We recognize in it the means employed by the devil to hinder the cause of truth and thereby ruin the souls of men, and as such we feel called upon to assail it with every weapon at our command, believing that the success of Christ's kingdom means the overthrow of Satan's. Human slavery could only fetter the body, while the slavery of the appetite binds soul and body in chains of darkness. An edict from king or president could liberate millions of human beings in an hour, while liberation from this worse slavery can only come from long efforts, continued assertion of the will-power, and the grace of God. The grip of the monster is this day on the nation. That grip cannot be broken by human power alone. We must not cease our efforts until it is broken and the nation and the world are free; but in all our efforts we must not trust in our own power and wisdom, but in God, who alone can set the millions free from this form of thralldom as He set free those who in our own country were so recently bound in what seemed perpetual and hopeless slavery. Let us remember that with God all things are possible.

We beg to record our conviction that the word *intemperance* applies not alone to drunkenness, but to the drinking of ardent spirits in quantities great or small. A man who uses alcoholic beverage, though he may never reel in the gutter, though he may use the lighter and so-called innocent liquors, the beers, the wines, yet inasmuch as these do produce intoxication, and inasmuch as their use creates an appetite which craves the stronger kind, and inasmuch as they are not needed to sustain the animal life, we affirm that any one who uses them other than as a medical remedy, demanded by a condition which science may determine, is intemperate; that temperance in its true signification means *total abstinence* from all beverages, of every kind *whatsoever*, which contain the

intoxicating principle. And we wish it to be understood as our sentiment that the Methodist Episcopal Church can have no fellowship with any who make, sell, or drink ardent spirits, by whatever name they are called.

We further state that in our judgment the right to sell intoxicating liquors at retail—a right professedly created by a license law—is a violation of the great law of love which forbids one man to injure another. That which works an injury to the body, soul, or property of another is essentially a wrong in itself. That which dethrones the reason and converts man over into a maniac, injures society, is destructive of our homes and all we hold dear; and hence to license one man to ruin another and destroy public peace, is to stab society in its vital part. We do not believe that society will be true to itself until it assumes the position that a sin cannot be licensed and thus sanctioned—until it protects itself against the evil by such prohibitory measures as will only allow of the use of intoxicants in medicine and the arts, where they may have their place along with all other poisons. We firmly believe that our great railroad corporations have an interest in this question. Railroad companies are dependent upon the patronage of the public, and the public recognizes in these corporations great benefits; but life is precious and should be protected. We believe that, could the facts be fully known, more than one half of all the railroad accidents which startle us by their enormity result from the use of ardent spirits. They who hold in their hands the lives of hundreds and thousands of people are often known to be utterly unqualified by virtue of intemperate habits for such responsible positions. Man is not rational when under the influence of rum. We aver that it is the duty of all railroad companies and other corporations, whether upon land or water, into whose keeping we place our lives, to establish such laws and regulations as shall make it an impossibility for any man who uses alcoholic drink to find employment in their service. We believe that all such corporations owe this to the traveling public, thereby removing one of the chief causes of the accidents which have been so numerous of late—which have sent mourning to so many homes.

We have no sympathy whatever with the statement so often made that the cause of temperance is waning. We do feel an ever-increasing sense of horror at the enormity of the evil, which only indicates that the public conscience is more sensitive than formerly on this subject. The rum venders are putting forth their most determined efforts everywhere, because they see clearly how deep and wide-spread is the temperance sentiment. The great American people are moving everywhere against this enemy, and we think the signs of the times indicate very decided progress in the right direction, and we hail the coming of the day when he who sells shall be as much a subject of penalty as he who drinks is now so often an object of pity.

We call upon all our members everywhere to be true to their own church on this subject—a church which has always been in the forefront of this and all other reformatory movements. We call upon all to be true to the welfare of others by the most rigid abstinence themselves. We call upon all our brethren in the ministry everywhere, to lift up their voices in favor of a universal emancipation from this fatal bondage, and to wage a

good warfare until this great enemy of God and man shall be slain; until the foul blot of intemperance shall be wiped from our escutcheon and this dreadful evil shall no more curse the world.

J. H. McCARTY, *Chairman*.

[B.]

ON TRACT CAUSE.

(Adopted September 8th.)

Your committee is of the opinion that by far too little attention is paid to presenting the interests of the Tract Cause, and the taking of collections in congregations. We find a lamentable deficit, and unwarrantable neglect on the part of the preachers in not reporting at all in relation to it. Out of the one hundred and eighty-two charges, only fifty-three are reported. While we profess to regard this cause as a means of diffusing light and knowledge among the comparatively destitute to which no other agency is so well adapted, we deem it a source of regret that so little attention should be paid to so important an interest. If the "Tract Cause" is of use in our economy, it is an unused power in this conference. We believe a harvest of good might be gathered in this way if we, as pastors, were to properly attend to these collections, so that tracts and cheap publications of sterling worth might be more extensively circulated. We have perfect confidence in the ability of our Secretary and the Board of Managers, and are satisfied with their administration. Therefore,

Resolved, That we deem it the duty of each pastor to present the Tract Cause, and take a collection in each congregation to aid in its support.

L. C. YORK.

[C.]

ON BIBLE CAUSE.

(Adopted September 8th.)

Resolved, That we consider the Bible Cause as much as ever entitled to the sympathy and support of the church; and that we as a Conference indorse the work of the society both at home and abroad; and that we will heartily welcome the Rev. G. M. Tuthill, the present superintendent, to our churches and co-operate with him.

The amount reported for the conference year up to date is \$463.56, and we suggest that if brethren taking this collection will forward the same at once to the Superintendent, at Kalamazoo, they will facilitate his work and prevent mistakes.

T. J. JOBLIN, *Chairman*.

[D.]

ON EDUCATION.

(Adopted September 8th.)

✓ Your committee are deeply impressed with the importance of the subject submitted for their consideration. We cannot be indifferent to the proper intellectual training of our youth. The great educational forces of the age, so largely influential in shaping the destinies of our people, should receive our most careful attention. While a wrong training is misleading and mischievous, a right culture must ever be wholesome and conservative. For the purposes of primary education, we regard our public school system with undiminished favor; and feel it incumbent upon us as Christian citizens to heartily sustain it against the assaults and intrigues of its open or covert foes. While we would by no means favor the introduction of dogmatic religious teaching, we are rigorously opposed to that extreme secular tendency which would banish from the school-room all allusions to the Divine Being and the claims of Christian morality. It becomes us, then, in our capacity of citizens to visit the public schools in our respective communities, examine the text-books, watch the proceedings of boards of education, and in every way prove ourselves the firm and discriminating supporters of popular education as administered by this thoroughly-tested and most efficient system.

It is the interests of higher education, however, which are more especially commended to our consideration as a body. We are in no sense hostile to those institutions which are maintained by the patronage of the state and are under its control, yet we are increasingly convinced of the propriety of sustaining by the heartiest zeal and most efficient measures our denominational colleges. While these are not sectarian in any odious sense, they are nevertheless under our immediate control; the instruction, in its religious bearings, is more pronounced and faithfully supervised, and a more ample provision is made for the spiritual needs of the students. This last is a consideration of the highest moment. Facts show that while revivals of religion are of rare occurrence in connection with state universities, our own institutions are constantly sharing their grateful influence. As a Conference we are especially interested in the growing prosperity of Albion College. A brighter day is evidently dawning upon its fortunes. After a long period of struggling and precarious existence, it seems about to be placed on a solid and enduring foundation. Through the enterprise and persistent zeal of that worthy abettor of every good cause, David Preston, Esq., who has devoted his time, money, and unwearied effort to its attainment, the endowment project will doubtless prove a complete success. We are gratified to know that this munificent addition to the funds of the college is not the gift of a few of our wealthy friends, but represents the generous sympathy of the mass of our people throughout the state. Placed thus upon a secure foundation, we may confidently anticipate that the friends of liberal

education among us who are blessed with abundant means will continue to make this institution the object of their benefactions. Let us spare no pains to make this college, which is more immediately under our management and dependent on our bounty, in every particular a first-class institution, not only in the extent and thoroughness of the instruction, but in the completeness and richness of its cabinets, library, and apparatus. From the annual report of the Board of Trustees presented to your body and referred to us, we learn: That the past year has been one of fair prosperity. The number of students has been greater than last year, though for obvious reasons the number in the college classes continues small. The religious interest has been good, the Lord blessing the college in the conversion of precious souls. The senior class are all members of the M. E. Church, several of whom will enter the ministry. A rule was adopted by the Board by which members of the Conference are permitted to receive the degree of any course regularly, provided they pass satisfactory examinations with the college classes.

The Faculty for the coming year are the same as for the year just closed. The property of the college, exclusive of endowment, is worth over all indebtedness \$69,528.87. On the adjournment of the Board, one year ago, the balance against the college was \$4,000.00. This balance has been paid and the expenses of the year met, and the balance against the institution is but little greater than last year, although the expenses were somewhat larger and no collections have been taken during the year for current expenses, the entire field having been resigned to Mr. Preston. Should the People's Sixty-Thousand-Dollar Fund prove a success, as is confidently expected, there will be in the hands of the Endowment Fund Committee, in trust for Albion College, over Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

As the terms of David Preston, Esq., and Rev. Jno. McEldowney, D.D., trustees elected by this Conference, expire this year, we recommend the re-election of David Preston, and that Hon. Otis A. Critchett be elected to fill the place of Dr. McEldowney.

We also recommend the following persons as a Board of Visitors from this Conference: Rev. John McEldowney, D.D., L. R. Fiske, D.D., Luther Lee, D.D., A. J. Bigelow, A.M., B. S. Taylor, J. C. Wortley, A.M., Prof. Louis McLouth, A.M., E. L. Walters, and Charles Tenwinkle.

Your committee have also noted with much pleasure the substantial and growing prosperity of the Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill. Though not so immediately connected with us as the College at Albion, we are still represented in its Board of Trustees, and deeply interested in its success and usefulness. With its ample resources, happy location, and efficient management, we see no reason why it should not stand foremost among the growing universities of the Great West.

We recommend the re-election of Rev. Arthur Edwards, D.D., and Rev. W. W. Washburn, A.M., as trustees from this Conference.

W. X. NINDE, *Chairman.*

[E.]

ON PERIODICALS.

[Adopted September 8th]

The Committee on Periodicals think the general question of the necessity of a periodical literature in the interests of moral and religious truth fully settled, and refer to former reports of this Conference for an expression of the esteem in which we hold our own denominational quarterly, monthly, and weekly publications. We are gratified to be able to report an increasing circulation of all our principal weeklies and of our Sabbath-school papers.

The literature of our church was never more ably conducted, nor more generally sustained than to-day. The *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, which we recognize as the organ of our denomination first commanding our support and patronage, has increased its list thirty per cent. during the past year—an increase which we hope will be maintained, notwithstanding the damaging effects of the premium picture lately offered its subscribers. We submit as a basis for action, to follow words so plentifully uttered in former reports, the following:

Resolved, That we will use all diligence to increase the circulation throughout all our charges of our own denominational periodicals, especially the *Methodist Quarterly Review* and the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*.

Resolved, That this Conference request our publishers to furnish our periodicals at the lowest living rates, leaving the premium picture trade to those publishers whose papers need such premiums to secure their sale.—[Laid on the table.]

JOHN MCELDOWNEY,
A. J. BIGELOW,
JOSEPH FRAZER.

[F.]

ON THE USE OF TOBACCO.

[Adopted September 8th.]

WHEREAS, In the judgment of the most eminent physiologists of the day, the use of tobacco in any form is injurious to the bodily health, affecting with peculiar severity the nervous system, resulting in a tendency to epilepsy, paralysis and insanity; and

WHEREAS, The use of such narcotic is objectionable on the ground of its filthiness, sometimes rendering the visits of the servant of the Lord Jesus objectionable on the above grounds, though such instances are by no means numerous, and are continually decreasing; and

WHEREAS, The use of tobacco, by a minister of the gospel especially, is an unwholesome example to the young men growing up in our communities, rendering them liable to intemperance in its graver form, and while we do not think the use of such narcotic to be a "sin unto death," and express our deep regret that any of our brethren have come under the power of this useless and dangerous habit, and believing that the time is coming when no minister of the Lord Jesus Christ who persists in such habit, by a virtuous and intelligent people will be excused: therefore,

Resolved, That as a Conference we urge upon all our brethren to abstain from the use of tobacco, however long formed the habit of its use may be.

Resolved, That we insist upon all young men coming into this Conference that they state distinctly before the Conference their habits in regard to this subject.

J. H. McCARTY, *Chairman*.

[G.]

ON FREEDMEN'S CAUSE.

[Adopted September 8th.]

The inspired words, "freely ye have received, freely give," suggest at once a true rule and the highest incentive to Christian benevolence. As a people we have received more from God than any other nation on earth. Civil and religious liberty are here more free to exert their reciprocal influences in scattering among the masses the blessings of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

Yet for more than eighty years we, as a nation, withheld, in part, from some of our fellow men, for no offense but that of wearing a dark skin, these higher forms of divine beneficence. Sad history! Would the "damning spot" were off our national ermine and our sacerdotal robes! But thanks to Heaven, passing quickly from slaves to freedmen and from freedmen to enfranchised citizens, these four millions now demand a benefaction at our hands; and truly their debtors we are, and Methodism must not fail to pay her full share.

A Christian education is now the pressing need of the colored people of this republic, and to withhold the means of it from them would be to disregard alike the claims of religion, philanthropy, and patriotism. Moreover, as they are now so essential a part of the body politic, it would be almost equally unjust to ourselves and them were we to prove remiss in this duty. Their comparative helplessness, necessary ignorance, and consequent easy exposure to the various forms of social depravity and irreligion, compose a most pathetic appeal for charitable contributions and Christian labor; while their well-known teachableness, together with their potential political and moral relations, render the field occupied by the society seeking their improvement one of more than ordinary promise.

Furthermore, the fact that our General Superintendents have recently issued an appeal for prompt and enlarged contributions to this fund, expressing the conviction that "no society in our Church has accomplished greater good with an equal amount of funds, and none has at the present time a more urgent claim upon the liberality and prayers of our people," should have elicited a more generous response from the churches than will be shown by the footing of this report.

Resolved, That as a Conference we commend the establishment of a school, chiefly for the education of ministers and teachers, within the bounds of each annual conference in the Southern States; and that we will, by a timely and earnest presentation of its claims to the people of our respective charges, seek to augment the funds of the "Freedmen's Aid Society" during the ensuing year, by raising the entire amount of \$2,250 apportioned to this Conference; and that the presiding elders are hereby constituted a committee to apportion the above sum among the respective charges.

JOHN RUSSELL, *Chairman*.

[H.]**ON MISSION AUDITORS.***[Adopted September 8th.]*

The Mission Auditing Committee would respectfully report that all the vouchers for the funds in the hands of the presiding elders, appropriated to missions, within the bounds of this Conference, have been examined and found correct. One hundred dollars appropriated to Menomonee, was not used and is now in the hands of the presiding elder of Lake Superior district.

J. S. SMART, *Chairman.*

[I.]**ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.***[Adopted September 8th.]*

It was resolved at our last Conference that the money obtained by collections for education at our several charges should be appropriated to the relief of Garrett Biblical Institute. Some of the preachers forwarded their collections directly to the Treasurer of the Institute. Receipts amounting to \$62.50 for funds thus forwarded have been placed in the hands of this committee. We have also received from the several charges \$161.45 in money for this purpose. It appears that the Biblical Institute has nearly recovered from the financial embarrassment caused by the Chicago fire, and will not need further help from this source. It will, however, continue to need our prayers, our sympathy, and our influence in encouraging young men, when practicable, to avail themselves of its educational advantages before entering upon the work of the Christian ministry.

The facilities and helps to young men preparing for the ministry are already considerable, and through the Board of Education and the efficient labors of its Corresponding Secretary, they are continually increasing. Students designing to devote their lives to the work of Christ are not charged for tuition at the Northwestern University; and furnished rooms are provided for them gratuitously in Heck Hall, to the extent of its capacity. The Corresponding Secretary informs us that the Board of Education can now offer help, at the rate of one hundred dollars a year, to a few students who need help. Applications for help will be considered by the Board in the order of their reception. Young men preferring to borrow money, without interest, instead of receiving it as a donation, should so state in their applications.

We insert a few extracts from a circular issued by Dr. E. O. Haven, corresponding secretary of the Board of Education: "All conference

education societies, and other local societies of the kind, are regarded as auxiliaries to the Board of Education, and the secretaries are earnestly requested to furnish the Corresponding Secretary with reports of their proceedings, as we wish to embody an abstract of all such work done within our church in our reports." The following are the proper forms of recommendations for persons desiring help from the Board:

BLANKS FOR STUDENTS' RECOMMENDATIONS.

"We, the undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board of Education to examine and judge of the fitness of applicants for aid among the students of _____, hereby certify that we have inquired into the case of _____, now a student in this institution, and that we find his age to be _____, and that he is in sound health, of good natural powers of intellect and ability to learn, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in good and regular standing, and that he is in need of pecuniary aid in prosecuting his studies; and we do therefore recommend his application to the favorable consideration of the Board."

Where no special committee is appointed the president or principal of the institution and the preacher in charge may act as such committee. Students not at any school should procure a certificate like the following:

"The Quarterly Meeting Conference for _____, having made due inquiry respecting _____, who is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in this charge, find that he possesses the gifts and graces that promise usefulness in the ministry, and that there is good reason to believe that he is divinely called to the work, and that he needs pecuniary assistance in the prosecution of his studies."

The above certificate should be signed by the presiding elder and the secretary.

It is evident that at present only a very limited number can receive help from the Board; but it is hoped that by faithfully taking the collections for education in all our churches, and observing the second Sabbath in June as Children's day in all our Sunday-schools, a fund will soon be accumulated which will be largely available for this purpose. It is important that none of our ministers neglect this collection. The demand of the times is for an educated ministry, and as a church we must not fail to meet the responsibilities which are upon us.

We recommend the following persons as visitors to the Garrett Biblical Institute: Revs. I. N. Elwood, Thos. Stalker, and A. F. Bourns. Laymen, J. C. Clark and Wm. B. Clay.

B. S. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

[J.]

ON PARSONAGES.

[Adopted September 8th.]

We find the whole number of charges to be one hundred and seventy-four (174); number of parsonages, one hundred and nineteen (119)—an increase of four over the number reported last year, and leaving fifty-five charges unprovided for. Feeling that comfortable homes for our preachers are very necessary, therefore,

Resolved, That we urge upon all our preachers the duty of providing suitable homes where none exist, as well as the putting in repair those now more or less dilapidated.

R. BIRD, *Chairman*.

[K.]

ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

[Adopted September 8th.]

Your committee are happy to report that the good cause involved in the Sunday-school work moves steadily on. There is no abatement of interest, nor of appliances, nor of success; but rather an increase of all. With an army of more than one million and a quarter of Sunday-school scholars under the direction of more than one hundred and ninety thousand officers and teachers, the Methodist Episcopal Church of this land is doing a great work for the Master.

Your committee would most earnestly recommend to the members of this Conference, most of whom are pastors of the Church of God, that during the year to come they give even more careful and prayerful attention to the instruction of the children and youth in the Sunday-school. Let them encourage this work by frequent and earnest words from their pulpits, by their presence in the schools, and by their prayers everywhere. We would recommend now as ever the use of the *Sunday-School Advocate* in our schools. It is a messenger of power as well as of peace. Let our schools be well supplied with copies of this paper.

We very earnestly express our approval of the use of the "Berean Lesson Leaf." Let pastors seek to introduce it wherever it is not now used. Wherever it is used its value is known. It is desirable, also, that teachers especially be supplied with the *Teacher's Journal*. Let the pastors see to it well that the shelves of the Sunday-school libraries are kept well-filled, if possible. A single book from the library may be of greater service to a scholar in a single week than a teacher is in a whole year. We would most heartily express our appreciation of the services of the Rev. J. M. Arnold in this cause during the past year among us. Whether as preacher, or lecturer, or counselor, or distributor of books, his services have been of great value to the Sunday-school cause; and we would request his reappointment as Sunday-school agent for the coming year. We would further and finally recommend, in accordance with the suggestion of the Secretary of the Sunday-School Union, that Sunday, October 19th, 1873, be observed as a day of special prayer and labor for the success of the Sunday-school cause; and that upon that day a collection be taken in behalf of the Sunday-School Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

A. F. BOURNS, *Chairman*.

[L.]

GENERAL STATISTICS.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.					BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Amount raised for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Present Indebtedness.
DETROIT DISTRICT.												
Detroit—Central Church	116	690	6	6	30	15	1	\$180,000				\$5,000
Lafayette Avenue	5	241	4	5	21		2	25,000				
Simpson Church	33	140	2	2	8	22	1	60,000	1	9,000		8,000
Jefferson Avenue	18	175	2	4	25	15	1	25,000			600.00	
Sixteenth Street and Greenfield.	4	83	1		3	4	2	12,000				
Trenton		67	2				1	2,500	1	1,000		
Wyandotte		108		1	2		1	3,000	1	2,500	400.00	600
Flat Rock	6	190	3	3	4	25	2	6,000	1	1,000		
Monroe	9	124		2	3	2	1	35,000	1	3,000	500.00	10,000
Wayne	5	180	1				1	4,000	1	2,000		
Dearborn and Inkster					12	8	2	4,000	1	1,400		
Lee Chapel and Warren		52	2		10		2	1,500	1	2,000		
Plymouth	2	80	1	1			2	4,000	1	1,000		
Belleville	10	160		2	7	2	1	4,000	1	1,200	15.63	
Birmingham	2	123	1	3	2		2	20,000	1	600	2,000.00	5,000
Royal Oak	11	108	1		1	20	1	3,000			390.00	
Farmington	2	90		1	1		1	2,800	1	1,000		
Northville	6	68	1	1		6	1	2,000	1	2,500	100.00	800
Commerce		125	1	2	8		1	1,500	1	800	125.00	50
Southfield	10	85		3	2	8	2	2,000	1	800	50.00	
New Boston	17	184	3	3	9	5	2	3,500	1	1,000		1,100
Walled Lake	8	90	2						1	1,000	115.00	
Denton and Sheldon	30	164		2		3	3	7,500				
Totals	294	3120	33	41	148	135	32	\$388,900	17	\$31,900	\$4235.63	\$21,550
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.												
Ann Arbor	15	547	7	4	5		2	\$72,000	1	\$5,000		10,000
Dixboro	8	45	1	1			1	3,000	1	1,600	\$ 19.00	
Ypsilanti	11	270	3	1	1		1	12,000	1	5,000		1,000
Augusta	21	80		2		1	1	6,350	1	2,000	240.00	100
Oakville	5	180	3	2	12	4	2	3,000	1	200		
Milan	6	50	2	3			2	3,000				
Saline	1	150		4	3		1	3,000	1	4,000		1,600
Dexter	6	105		2		7	1	6,000	1	800		
Leoni	4	150					2	4,000				
Chelsea	15	130			2		2	9,000	1	1,500	250.00	
Waterloo												
Grass Lake	3	254		1		1	1	12,000	1	2,500	150.00	1,400
Henrietta	22	117		1	3		2	6,000	1	1,000	44.00	
Pinckney	4	85				1	1	3,000	1	1,500		
Lima and North Lake	1	90	1	2	1		2	4,500			240.00	300
Hamburg	43	39		2	3		3	9,000				
Brighton	12	75	1	1			1	3,000	1	800	250.00	300
South Lyon		276	1	4	1	2	3	5,000	1	1,500	300.00	
Milford	6	150	2	2		5	1	2,500	1	2,500		
Genoa	18	14										
Unadilla	5	120		2	1		3	7,500	1	1,000	42.75	
Totals	206	2927	21	34	32	21	32	\$173,850	15	\$30,900	\$1535.75	\$14,700

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.						SABBATH SCHOOLS.		
	For Conference Claimants.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday-School Union of the M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.
		Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.					
DETROIT DIST.									
<i>Continued.</i>									
Detroit—Central...	\$200.00	\$1016.17	\$338.45	\$1949.62	\$94.00	\$1000.00	\$104.50	\$104.50	\$105.00
Lafayette Av....	28.00	100.00		100.00	13.00		5.00	5.00	
Simpson Ch....	50.00	280.00		280.00		35.00	5.00	20.00	15.00
Jefferson Av....	8.10	100.00		100.00	25.00	6.60			
16th St. & Greenfield	85					1.89		1.30	1.25
Trenton									
Wyandotte	10.85					3.00		1.00	1.00
Flat Rock	10.00	105.00		105.00	40.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	
Monroe	11.00	10.00		10.00					
Wayne	3.50	16.00	5.00	21.00		7.75	5.00	5.00	
Dearborn & Inkst'r	3.00	9.00		9.00		2.00			2.25
Lee Chap. & Warr'n	14.07					4.70			
Plymouth	10.00		20.00	20.00		4.00		2.00	
Bellville	42.00	93.25		93.25	25.15	5.00	7.33	2.00	2.00
Birmingham	2.00		4.99	4.99					
Royal Oak	1.00	18.00		18.00					
Farmington	6.85		30.53	30.53	6.05		4.00		
Northville	4.00	10.00		10.00	18.50	2.50			
Commerce		26.36		26.36					
Southfield	10.00	32.00		32.00	30.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	
New Boston	13.45	42.00		42.00	5.00	3.50	1.50	2.50	
Walled Lake	4.34	14.65		14.65					
Denton & Sheldon	11.82	31.20	21.00	52.20	19.90	5.63	7.84	6.52	
Total	\$444.88	\$1908.63	\$414.97	\$2818.60	\$156.60	\$1065.57	\$145.17	\$153.82	\$126.50
ANN ARBOR DIST.									
<i>Continued.</i>									
Ann Arbor	\$23.76	\$217.00	\$58.24	\$275.24	\$111.21	\$48.00			
Dixboro	3.50	21.00		21.00	15.50			2.00	
Ypsilanti	23.19	104.00	145.00	250.00					
Augusta	5.00	50.00	1.80	51.80		2.25	\$1.50	1.50	
Oakville	10.50	66.00		66.00	25.00	9.20	3.20	4.00	2.05
Milan	2.85	6.65		6.65			1.00	1.00	
Saline	5.00		39.00	39.00					
Dexter	6.30	25.00		25.00					
Leoni									
Chelsea	10.00	25.00		25.00			1.00	2.95	
Waterloo									
Grass Lake	5.00	50.34		50.34	15.00	15.25			
Henrietta	6.85	22.25		22.25		3.00			
Pinckney		16.00		16.00					
Lima & North Lake	10.00	38.50	10.00	48.50					
Hamburg	3.00	3.30		3.30					
Brighton	1.50		17.00	17.00	39.00				
South Lyon	18.26	50.00	21.91	71.91					
Milford	10.00	38.90		38.00					
Genoa									
Unadilla	6.00	15.00		15.00			2.00		4.00
Total	\$150.71	\$744.04	\$292.95	\$1036.99	\$205.71	\$77.70	\$8.70	\$12.45	\$6.05

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—Continued.															MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.	
For Education.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Scholars 15 years of age and over.	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Av. attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	Library Books.	Total expense of School this year.	Sunday-School Advocates taken.	Sunday-school Journals taken.	Off. & Teach's who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Scholars who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Conversions this year.	Claims.	Receipts.
\$50.00	2	114	1281	353	473	405	898	1164	\$1355.41	250	65	91	86	30	\$3300.00	\$3300.00
15.00	2	48	500	150	200	150	400	480	450.00		48				2200.00	2200.00
15.00	1	27	450			210	300	425	445.04	150	30	30		25	2100.00	2100.00
5.00	1	24	250			100	225	400	200.00	100	24	24		20	1462.00	1462.00
	2	14	150	50	30	25	120	450	130.00	100	12	14	8			500.00
	3	30	184			25										
1.75	1	14	130													
	5	41	285	140	155		180		26.24	55	15		20	15	986.00	986.00
	1	25	150			30	120	231	55.24	100	15			1	1200.00	1200.00
	2														887.60	887.60
	2														625.00	625.00
	2		127					375							800.00	800.00
	2	22	200	140	25	34	140	450	75.00	74	6	15			950.00	950.00
3.00	2	24	129	33	65	21	87	340	28.64	98	6	20	12	6	900.00	900.00
	2	27	128					100	25.00						875.00	875.00
5.00	1	19	150	75	50	25	120	200	75.00	75	16	19	25	20	740.00	740.00
	2	30	120								12				900.00	900.00
	1	16	70				75	150		30		12			900.00	900.00
	5	38	150	70	80	20	125	200	40.00			12	11		800.00	800.00
3.00	3	32	107			23	95	500	40.00	25		32	20	4	700.00	700.00
	5	42	214	75	85	40	200	550	30.00	75	6	35		1	900.00	845.00
	2	12	100							50					700.00	700.00
	3	28	239				250	500	32.75	70	16				907.00	907.00
\$97.75	50	627	5064	1066	1114	1083	3335	6515	\$3008.33	1252	271	304	188	122	\$22912.00	23257.00
	2	50	500			115	312	1350	\$156.00	300	50	42			\$2200.00	2200.00
	2	16	65	25	40		50		7.50	15	18	13			700.00	636.00
	1	30	250			50	175	600	200.00	80	22	30			1960.00	1960.00
	1	11	54		21	11	45	445	55.00	20	3	10	22		750.00	750.00
	6	54	810	91	142	77	185	570	40.00		10	30			600.00	600.00
	3	24	70	15	45	10	60	100	35.00	44	6	20			635.00	605.00
10.00	1	15	100				90	600	50.00	30	15	15	20		1000.00	1000.00
	1	14	120	40	50	30	90	250	65.00	75	14	13	25	2	800.00	800.00
	2	10	150	75	50	25	100		40.00	20	18	15	8	4	550.00	550.00
	1	22	100			25		100	35.00	40	10				700.00	550.00
	1	28	175	125		30	150	200	40.00		18	26		8	1250.00	1250.00
	4	36	175	6	150	20	150	400	25.00	20		20	20	12		
	1		30	12	18		25	100		25					800.00	650.00
	2	23	120	59	63		100	150	24.00	45	16	22			700.00	680.00
															700.00	548.00
	2	27	155	70	70	15	140	400	70.00	60		21		4	925.00	925.00
	3	26	160				400	400	50.00						1346.00	1128.22
	1	18	128	40	68	20	90	800	55.00	40	13	18	25	2	566.00	566.00
1.00	2	20	80	20	45	15	70	280	42.00	26	13	20	10		750.00	750.00
\$11.00	36	424	2742	578	762	433	1882	6445	\$1019.50	740	226	315	130	82	\$16982.00	16148.22

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Amount raised for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Present Indebtedness.
ADRIAN DISTRICT.												
Adrian.....	54	535	2	3	7	9	1	\$ 50,000				
Clinton and Macon.....	2	137	1	1	1	8	2	10,000	1	\$1,000	\$100.00	
Tecumseh.....	6	195	1	1			1	25,000	1	1,800	106.00	
Manchester.....	12	130	2				1	10,500	1	1,000	60.00	
Napoleon and Brooklyn.....	3	140	2	3		8	1	2,000	1	1,000	50.00	
Franklin.....	3	98	3		1		2	5,500	1	500	1800.00	\$250.00
Addison.....	67	247	3	3	4	63	5	12,300	1	1,600	3505.00	\$850.00
Hudson.....	8	200	1	1			1	10,000	1		6000.00	
Morenci.....	8	215	2	3			1	7,000	1	3,000		
Fairfield.....	1	105	1	1			1	6,300	1	1,600		
Blissfield.....	29	88		4		15	1	4,500	1	1,500	656.00	
Petersburg and Deerfield.....		156					2	9,500	1	1,000		
Lambertville.....		60	3	1			2	4,000	1	1,000	200.00	
Dundee.....	10	117	2	2		1	1	8,000	1	800	350.00	180.00
Ridgeway.....	3	200	4	3			2	23,000	1	1,500	120.00	
Clayton.....	5	91		2			2	1,600	1	1,100		150.00
Sharon.....	2	82				1	2	6,000	1	1,500		
Palmyra.....		40	2	1			2	1,400	1	800		
Medina.....		50		1			2	6,000	1	1,000		
Totals.....	205	2886	23	32	13	105	32	\$202,500	18	\$21,700	\$9477.00	\$3480.00
FLINT DISTRICT.												
Flint—Court Street.....	15	266	6	3	5	3	2	\$ 20,000	1	\$3,000		
Garland Street.....	6	262	5	3	1	10	1	7,500	1	4,000	\$150.00	\$130.00
Mt. Morris.....	3	187	2	3	7	1	1	1,800	1	1,300	500.00	
Forest.....	24	92	2	3			1	2,000	1	1,500		1900.00
Davison and Kearsley.....	17	66		4			1	3,000				
Flushing.....	2	164	1	3			1	4,000	1	2,000	97.48	
Swartz Creek.....	3	112		3			2	7,500	1	1,000	1955.00	450.00
Hazelton.....	7	77		2			2	2,100			100.00	285.00
Grand Blanc.....	1	153	1	2			2	4,500	1	1,500		
Holly.....	3	155	1	3		1	3	7,600				
Fenton.....	5	208	1	3	3	13	1	12,000				2200.00
Fenton Circuit.....	5	74				5	2	800			112.00	
Linden.....	58	225	1	3		72	2	7,500				
Gaines.....	20	99		1		8	2	5,000				778.00
Byron.....	12	327	2	1		8	1	8,000	1	1,500	81.00	120.00
Vernon.....	13	187	4			14	2	7,000			175.00	1000.00
Corunna.....	6	120	1	3	4	20	1	3,000	1	2,000		100.00
Highland.....	11	99		3		3	1	2,500				
Hartland.....	10	109		2		3	2	6,000	1	2,500		1200.00
Oak Grove.....	10	100				2	2	5,100	1	1,300	5165.00	110.00
Perry.....	26	189	2	4		1	1	4,000	1	1,000		250.00
Laingsburgh.....	41	202	1	4		23	2	7,000			2600.00	
Howell.....	20	101	3	3		1	1	3,000	1	1,500	120.00	
Fowlerville.....	15	106		1		2	1	4,500			50.00	450.00
Ioosco.....	12	76		1		1	1	800	1	600	700.00	800.00
Williamston.....	4	128	3	1	3	3	1	3,000			400.00	1200.00
Dansville.....	8	145		3		10	1	4,000				
White Oak.....	45	49	1	3		6						
Bell Oak.....												
Totals.....	402	3901	87	65	27	195	88	\$188,200	14	\$24,500	12155.48	10873.00

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BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.						SABBATH SCHOOLS.						
For Conference Claimants.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday-School Union of the M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
	Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.									
\$31.00	\$53.00	\$291.00	\$344.00	\$109.00		\$14.00			\$19.00	1	44	400
15.50	104.65		104.65			4.50				2	12	75
6.47	18.56	34.41	52.97	9.85	\$6.22				6.30	1	23	216
4.44	57.45		57.45		5.02		\$2.87			1	13	140
2.50	40.00		40.00	9.00	2.00					1	10	80
7.65	42.87		42.87		2.36		1.60	\$2.70		2	13	100
16.00	55.00		55.00		6.25	6.02	5.60			6	72	404
10.00	83.00		83.00	42.60						1	27	161
22.00	50.40	6.60	57.00	18.25			3.00			1	25	240
3.00	12.00		12.00							3	34	200
10.00	50.00	15.00	65.00		8.00	2.20	2.20	5.50	2.50	1	15	178
2.00	20.00		20.00	30.00					5.55	3	30	150
12.15	27.98		27.98		8.88					4	28	200
11.60	91.00		91.00	20.00		5.00	5.20		4.04	2	23	179
5.30	36.00		36.00	15.25						3	35	150
8.00	47.15		47.15		7.25	1.00	1.00			2	12	50
5.00	10.00		10.00							2	16	60
2.00	8.00		8.00							1	10	50
\$174.61	\$807.01	\$247.01	1,154.02	\$153.95	\$53.97	\$32.72	\$28.47	\$6.20	\$37.22	37	440	3,133
\$13.30	\$61.65	\$25.70	\$87.35			\$2.00	\$3.30			2	43	277
8.00	71.00		71.00	\$43.00	\$5.00					1	15	130
12.00	60.00		60.00		6.00	5.00	4.00	\$5.00	\$8.00	4	35	160
8.75	25.00		25.00		2.00					3	14	120
6.00	42.00		42.00	30.72	3.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	3	27	185
10.00	46.00		46.00		6.75	2.00	2.00	3.00	5.00	3	33	147
2.70		30.00	30.00		5.30	4.25			33.25	2	21	101
8.00	37.75		37.75	36.00	3.38					2	16	90
5.47	11.00	7.50	18.50				3.15			1	15	125
5.00	51.11	19.49	70.60			3.37	3.65			1	20	185
1.50	22.00		22.00							3	16	80
10.00						2.00	3.00			6	64	288
7.00	40.00	3.00	43.00	16.50		2.50	2.00		13.00	5	47	285
12.00	41.00		41.00	7.00						3	30	149
3.00	16.00	9.00	25.00	1.00		4.00	4.00			6	55	195
12.00	50.00	4.00	54.00	21.32	2.00	1.00	1.00			1	12	160
	16.00	9.00	25.00	37.00	1.17					4	26	188
11.00	23.00		23.00	16.25		1.00	1.00			2	24	120
19.00	60.00	10.50	70.50					1.50		4	25	150
14.35	25.99		25.99	20.00				2.20		3	24	
7.40	50.00		50.00				1.60			4	50	300
8.00	39.10	13.90	53.00	15.00		2.00				1	16	98
	30.00	3.00	33.00	15.00		1.10				4	52	268
6.95	40.00		40.00		4.70					4	40	230
6.00	25.00		25.00							3	28	172
5.00	25.00		25.00		3.00			2.00		2	25	112
	14.41		14.41							3	32	104
\$192.92	\$988.01	\$125.09	1,063.10	\$258.79	\$42.20	\$37.22	\$23.70	\$14.00	\$67.95	63	812	4,489

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	SABBATH SCHOOLS—Continued.											MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.	
	Scholars 15 years of age and over.	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Av. attendance of Teachers & Scholars	Library Books.	Total Expense of School this year.	Sunday School Advocates taken.	Sunday School Journals taken.	Off. & Teach. who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Scholars who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Conversions this year.	Claims.	Receipts.
ADRIAN DISTRICT													
Continued.													
Adrian.....			75	300	800	\$150.00	250	36	44			\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Clinton and Macon	45	30	13	50	300	108.00	30	6	13			1,177.00	1,777.00
Tecumseh.....	76	65	53		885	33.75		15	21	20	1	1,125.00	
Manchester.....				120	300	50.00	75		10			1,000.00	1,000.00
Napoli'n & Brook'n					300						4	850.00	750.00
Franklin.....	69	30		60	140	18.00	49	7	10			700.00	694.00
Addison.....	163	146	105	335	690	147.42	180	30	55	96	157	1,000.00	1,000.00
Hudson.....			30		280		30	30				1,400.00	1,400.00
Morenci.....	100	80	60	158	380	90.00	100	25	20	50		1,250.00	1,250.00
Fairfield.....			50	155	682	42.00						725.00	650.00
Blissfield.....	70	65	43	81	100	26.72	26	13	14	19	15	700.00	700.00
Petersb'h & Dera'd													
Lambertville.....			20	100	400	40.00	100				5	500.00	356.00
Dundee.....	57	113	30	144	600	65.00	120	8		1		800.00	800.00
Ridgeway.....	56	84	39	190		25.00	68	12	18	47		1,150.00	1,150.00
Clayton.....				125	300		51	3	1			700.00	600.00
Sharon.....	22	28		35	250	12.00	25	12	2		1		
Palmyra.....					100	30.00	30						
Medina.....	30		30	40	100	18.00		6	7			663.00	413.00
Totals.....	669	641	548	1,889	5,987	\$938.89	1104	193	213	208	183	15,737.00	14,190.00
FLINT DISTRICT.													
Continued.													
Flint—Court St...		144	63	250	600	\$269.00	140	29	42		9	\$1,315.00	\$1,306.95
Garland Street...				120			50	15	15	10		1,300.00	1,300.00
Mt. Morris.....	70	30	60	159	250	200.00	115	16	33	110	3	985.00	965.00
Forest.....	30	50	40	105	400		45	10	12	14		800.00	802.00
Davis'n & Kears'y	115	70		165				26	19		10	500.00	456.91
Flushing.....	49	55	36	110	220	69.28	90	14	17	22		900.00	900.00
Swartz Creek.....	9	92		95	350	14.18	56		27			750.00	750.00
Hazelton.....	15	55		55	125	34.87	48	2	14	2		450.00	400.00
Grand Blanc.....	36	18	16	56		34.00	60	14	16			1,065.00	1,013.00
Holly.....	25	75	25	70	300	50.00	80	8	15	25		1,065.73	753.75
Fenton.....	90	66	29	111	330	68.81	100	20	20	73	7	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fenton Circuit.....	28	37	17	92	152	42.00	50		9	14	8	400.00	325.00
Linden.....			60	150	700	108.91	55	16			15	1,000.00	1,000.00
Gaines.....	70	180	29	267	386	92.00	145	19	34	36	3	700.00	650.00
Byron.....			25	120	300	36.79	95		30			850.00	810.00
Vernon.....	50	95	50	160	240	120.00	95	12	40	15	7	1,057.00	1,057.00
Corunna.....			30	120	300	135.00	100	2	11	50	10	1,025.00	1,025.00
Highland.....							24	26				900.00	825.00
Hartland.....	50	43	27	110	455	80.00	60	8	17	30	5	1,000.00	1,000.00
Oak Grove.....					350		39	1				750.00	750.00
Perry.....				144	50	29.00	65	14				700.00	650.00
Laingsburg.....				250	200	80.00	60	12	40		10	1,000.00	1,000.00
Howell.....	30	48	20	75	300	70.00			16	20	3	1,200.00	1,200.00
Fowlerville.....	140	75	53	220	100	73.87	139	31	38	39	12		
Iosco.....	75	95	60	162	250	14.00	65		25	20		600.00	500.00
Williamston.....	100	84	48	150	600	51.00	80					900.00	800.00
Dansville.....				90	150	46.00	80	22	20	10		1,026.00	915.00
White Oak.....											24	443.00	443.00
Bell Oak.....													
Totals.....	982	1,282	638	3,396	6,998	\$1,758.66	1882	315	536	490	121	23,761.73	22,599.61

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.					BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				
	Probationers.	Full Members,	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Amount raised for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Present indebtedness.
EAST SAGINAW DISTRICT.												
East Saginaw.....	75	305	1	2	9	1	1	\$55,000	1	\$2,500	\$85.70	\$21,000
Saginaw City.....	2	188	1	1	4	2	1	16,000	1	2,000	1,500.00	
South Saginaw.....	1	52	1	1	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,500		118
Saginaw & E. Saginaw City Mis'n								3,500				
Portsmouth.....	4	38	1	1	1	1	1	3,000	1	2,000		500
Bay City.....	40	184	2	1	2	2	1	10,000	1	2,000	400.00	
Wenona.....	15	62	1	1	2	2	1	10,000			750.00	
Tuscola and Thetford.....	10	53	1	1	1	1	1	1,500				
Millington and Pearsonville.....	10	57	1	1	4	4	1		1	300		
Mayville.....		30	1	1	1	1	1	2,000			500.00	
Dayton and Newberry.....	3	70	1	1	7	1	1	1,500	1	300	1,890.42	827
Watrousville.....	66	98	1	1	1	1	1	4,500	1	600	3.50	1,000
Caro and Ellington.....	24	69	1	1	2	2	1	5,000				500
Kawkawlin, Banks & So. Side Ave	2	30				2		4,000				1,500
Standish and Rifle River.....	1	11					1		1	500	150.00	
Midland and Averill's.....	5	72					1	8,000	1	1,800	200.00	
Tittabawassee.....	11	75		6	2							
Carrollton and Zilwaukee.....	8	1		4		2		5,500				600
Hemlock City and Swan Creek.....	5	30										
Vassar.....	10	110	1	4			1	7,000				432
Cass City.....	10	34	1						1	900	100.00	
Unionville.....	9	51	1			1	1	3,000			1,000.00	
Caseville.....	11	39	1	2	3	6	1	300	1	500	28.00	
St. Charles.....	19	1	2			1		3,500	1	1,500		375
Chesaning.....	10	70	1	4		2	1	4,250			40.00	
New Haven.....	1	58		1								
Owosso and Benington.....	8	108	2			1	2	8,000				
Mungerville.....		60										
Pesahgenging Indian Mission.....	22	83	3	7	10	2	1	2,500				
Totals.....	355	1914	18	24	64	27	25 1/2	\$160,060	18	\$16,300	\$6587.52	\$2,6852
ROMEO DISTRICT.												
Romeo.....	18	250		6	6	8	1	\$20,000	1	\$2,000	\$2000.00	
Pontiac.....	18	220	2	6		10	1	25,000	1	2,000	100.00	
Troy.....	2	68		2		1		1,000	1	1,000	35.00	
Utica.....	8	86			1	1		6,000				
Mt. Clemens.....		190			4	30	1	3,000	1	1,000	700.00	\$150
Washington.....	6	190	3	1		2		3,200	1	800		
Orion.....	12	140	1	3		5	3	8,500	1	1,000	2,500.00	
Rochester.....	11	67		3		2		3,000	1	1,000	640.00	220
Oxford.....	13	113				12	1	9,500	1	2,000	250.00	
Brandon and Oakland.....	10	85	1			8			1	1,500	70.00	
Lapeer.....	7	175	1	1		2		9,000				
North Branch.....												
Marlette.....	13	64	3		4	1	1	1,500				
Almont.....		74		6	1	1	1	8,000	1	1,000		764
Dryden.....	4	121	2	4	1	2		4,000	1	1,000	25.00	
Armada.....	5	132	1	2		1		3,900	1	1,300		340
Chesterfield.....												
Baltimore.....		38		3		1		3,000				
Hadley.....	14	93	1	1		2	1	10,000	1	800	18.00	300
Goodrich.....	2	65		1		3		6,800	1	800	800.00	500
Clarkston.....	2	95				2		6,500	1	500	2,000.00	
Davisburg.....		178	2	1		14	3	10,000	1	2,300	2,250.00	150
Attica.....	4	75	1	1		10	1	2,000				
Totals.....	149	2459	18	41	17	99	32	\$143,300	16	\$19,900	11888.00	\$2,424

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.						SABBATH SCHOOLS.		
	For Conference Claimants.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday-School Union of the M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.
		Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.					
SAGINAW DIST. <i>Continued.</i>									
East Saginaw....	\$37.00	\$75.00		\$75.00	\$11.00	\$35.00		\$2.00	
Saginaw City....	15.00	40.00		40.00	16.00	5.00			
South Saginaw....									
Sag., E. S. & C. M.									
Portsmouth.....		30.00		30.00	24.25	5.00		2.60	\$3.00
Bay City.....	25.00	70.00	\$25.00	95.00	41.00	5.00			
Wenona.....	10.00	30.00	20.00	40.00	22.00	8.00	3.00	4.00	
Tuscola & Thetford	1.62	13.60		13.00		1.75	2.00		
Mill'ng & Pearville	2.00	10.00	3.00	13.00					
Mayville.....									
Day't'n & Newber'y		2.25		2.25					
Watrousville.....	8.00	13.95	6.25	20.20				3.00	
Caro & Ellington....	12.00	47.00		47.00	15.00	13.00	2.50	2.00	
Kaw'awlin, Bks. & c			5.00	5.00					
Stand'h & Rifle Ry	2.00	4.00		4.00					
Mid'l'nd & Averill's									
Tittabawassee.....	3.00	32.00		32.00		3.00			
Carr'lton & Zill'k									
Hem'l'k Ct. & S. Cr		5.00		5.00				2.00	
Vassar.....	11.00	20.00	12.00	32.00	17.00	7.00		3.00	
Cass City.....	5.00	22.50		22.50					
Unionville.....	3.40	12.00		12.00			1.00		
Cassville.....	6.25	28.00		28.00				4.00	
St. Charles.....	2.00	5.00		5.00		2.00			
Chesaning.....	5.00	10.00		10.00	14.00	2.00			
New Haven.....	2.65	10.00		10.00				1.00	
Owosso & Be'gton	2.00	15.00		15.00	13.00	4.00			
Mungerville.....	2.07				14.00	2.00	.20	.20	
Pesah'ng In. M'n									
Totals.....	\$150.99	\$484.70	\$71.25	\$555.95	\$187.25	\$82.75	\$8.70	\$23.80	\$3.00
ROMEO DISTRICT <i>Continued.</i>									
Romeo.....	\$26.00	\$50.00		\$ 50.00					
Pontiac.....	19.00	94.07	\$31.98	126.00	\$50.00	\$14.00	\$5.00	\$7.50	\$15.00
Troy.....	6.12	37.14		37.14		.41		1.00	1.00
Utica.....	3.00		24.00	24.00		4.00			
Mt. Clemens.....	4.50	10.00		10.00		1.50		1.00	
Washington.....	4.35	64.00		64.00			1.25	3.50	2.00
Orion.....	12.00	45.00	30.00	75.00	8.27			1.00	
Rochester.....	2.00	30.00	18.00	38.00				2.00	
Oxford.....	6.00	67.06	5.04	73.10		12.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
Brand'n & Oak'nd	8.15	62.00		62.00		22.25			
Lapeer.....	6.00	59.00	21.00	80.00					
North Branch.....									
Marlette.....		15.35		15.35					
Almont.....	9.87	15.50		15.50	26.80	2.75	1.00	2.00	
Dryden.....	13.70	80.80		80.80		7.00		2.25	
Armada.....	4.00	21.00		21.00	17.50				
Chesterfield.....									
Baltimore.....	1.00	5.00	3.35	8.35			1.00	1.00	
Hadley.....	7.25	40.70	11.00	51.70	10.00				
Goodrich.....	3.00	10.00		10.00					
Clarkston.....	7.00	30.00	6.00	36.00	8.36			5.00	
Davisburg.....	6.50	25.00		25.00		4.00			
Attica.....	1.50	22.00		22.00		1.75			
Totals.....	\$150.94	\$773.62	\$150.32	\$923.94	\$120.73	\$69.66	\$9.25	\$28.25	\$19.00

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.—Continued.															MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.	
For Education.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Scholars 15 years of age and over.	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Av. attendance of Teach'rs & Schol'rs	Library Books.	Total expense of School this year.	Sunday-School Advocates taken.	Sunday-School Journals taken.	Off. & Teach's who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Scholars who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Conversions this year.	Claims.	Receipts.
\$ 5.00	1	31	254	57	197	81	213	400	\$140.55	100	40	29	15	6	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
	1	25	140			35	125	150	150.00	150	25	25			1,700.00	1,700.00
	1	9	65			10	12	300	50.00	65	5	6			800.00	800.00
5.00	1	5	55	8	10	32	45			30	5	4				
	1	15	85	25	28	25	75	250	48.25	60	12	7			1,256.50	1,256.50
	2	27	300				240	300	300.25	300	30	27			1,500.00	1,500.00
	1	16	150	15	75	60	108	400	310.00	70	24	16	10		1,213.50	1,213.50
	4	20	200	100	75	25	175	102	100.00		12	10	30	10	500.00	500.00
	3	30	75			8	60	300	15.00	52	1	25	3		800.00	350.00
	3	15	60	30	20	10	50	150	30.00		6	10	12		600.00	500.00
	3	32	100	50	30	20	100	204	34.00	50		25			550.00	379.66
10.00	5	25	200	75	85	40	150	300	128.00	110		25	35	66	780.00	800.00
	2	18	108	35	40	28	90		42.84	35	19	15	5	4	888.00	813.00
	1	9							15.00						1,000.00	
	4	20	100							6	6				600.00	550.00
	3	35	110	75	5	30	80	150	15.00	50	20	30	20	1	1,000.00	700.00
	4							40						7	500.00	500.00
	5	10	50	10	30	10	55	100	40.00			6	5	5	550.00	450.00
3.25	1	19	110	80	50	80	82	400	79.00		17	19	20		1,000.00	925.00
															600.00	550.00
4.00	3	18	95	31	21	23	58	250	24.10	65		9	5	4	552.50	361.68
	3	18	155	49	78	30	95	117	75.00	82	8	15	15	12	750.00	750.00
	1	8	50	10	30	10	28	375	10.00	80	1	5			750.00	650.00
	1	12	138	18	78	40	75	128	60.00	50	10	10	4	5	800.00	800.00
	2	25	100				75	300		45					500.00	450.00
	2	22	188	70	100	38	180	825	55.00	50		18	2	7	1,000.00	700.00
8.00	4	24	180	40	95	15	130		25.50	1					547.50	547.50
	2	7	65				130	100							800.00	800.00
\$30.25	65	495	3101	728	1063	602	2287	4841	\$1738.24	1251	236	339	281	127	22,418.00	19,646.84
	1	35	200			27	162	600	\$50.00	30	30	30	40	6	\$1,550.00	\$1,550.00
	1	24	200			30	200	400	120.00	75	25	21	30	20	1,890.00	1,890.00
	1	13	60	10	42	15	40		36.40	40	2	13			600.00	429.33
	1	16	115	46	38	31	75	258	96.86	46	10	10	20	2	780.00	750.00
	1	25	140	55												
	6	80	300	75	200	25	350	700	100.00		12	75	8		725.00	725.00
	6	55	326	120	100	100	280	550	100.00	120	25	40	25	5		
\$2.00	2	29	110	15		20	90	210	55.00	65	10	27	6	2	575.00	575.00
	1	21	135	47	66	22	92	150	90.00		10	3	40	21	1,072.00	1,072.00
	1	14	60				180			14		14			750.00	722.00
	2	25	200			30	150	250	150.00		20		21		1,225.00	1,225.00
	3	19	120				180									
	1	18	150	60	65	25	120	200	50.00	100	15	17	3	2	1,100.00	1,100.00
	4	28	200	20	165	15	150	380	70.00	10		20	6	1	867.00	867.00
	3	30	165				275		55.00	100	12				800.00	724.00
	1	11	60				70	200	25.00	40	8				700.00	444.00
	1	12	80					200							900.00	779.00
	1	12	40	15	20	5	45	200	25.00	30		12	4	1	700.00	575.00
	1	12	75			20	50			30	10	11			800.00	700.00
	3	40	250	140	45	45	200	450	90.00	75		34	40		1,250.00	1,150.01
	2	16	50							20		8			745.00	600.00
\$2.00	43	535	3081	603	741	392	2074	5163	\$1113.26	736	189	346	243	60	16,999.00	1,5877.33

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Amount raised for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Present indebtedness.
PORT HURON DISTRICT.												
Port Huron.....	40	905	1	3	9	7	1	\$10,000	1	\$6,000		
Gratiot.....	5	42	1		1	1	1	2,000	1	1,500		\$400
Marysville and Wales.....	10	94	1	1	3	1	2	5,300	1	800		
St. Clair.....	10	173	1		2	2	1	18,000	1	1,500		36
Algonac.....	2	131	1	3		1	1	5,500				
Memphis & Richmond.....	3	116	1				2	6,000	1			
Columbus.....	1	92	2				1	2,000	1	700	\$80.00	185
Marine City.....	6	24			3	1		3,500				
Brockway.....	30	130	1	1	3	3			1	400		
Ruby.....	2	105	1	1			2	5,500	1	800		
Port Sanilac.....	2	58				1	1	4,000	1	1,500	700.00	
Forester.....	10	41		1	14	2	1	10,000	1	2,000	275.00	
Austin and White Rock.....	14	65		1	4				1	2,000		
Port Hope.....	15	45	1		16	3			1	1,600	1,000.00	800
Tawas.....	18	60	1	1	10	3	2	7,000	1	1,600	4,000.00	1,400
Au Sable.....	3	53	1	1	26	4	1	5,000				1,900
Harrisville.....		29			1	1		3,000	1	1,200		
Alpena.....	4	65			6	2	1	6,000	1	2,000	40.00	450
Capac.....	6	40			10							
Marion.....	21	46	1		6	1	1				500.00	
Lakeport.....		65	1				1	2,000				
Lexington and Davisville.....		112	2		5	4	1	3,000	2	1,500		190
Speaker.....	2	60	1	1	4				1	1,000		
Totals.....	304	1851	17	14	123	32	21	\$97,700	17	\$36,100	\$6,595.00	\$5,361
LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.												
Marquette.....	12	150	2	2	8		1	\$30,000	1	\$3,500		
Negaunee.....	9	55			42		1	6,000	1	2,000		\$900
Ishpeming.....	10	75	3		23	1	1	10,000	1	2,000	\$300.00	
Clarksburg.....	6	14			21							
Escanaba.....	10	30		2	1	6						
Houghton.....	3	43	2		21	1	2	5,000	1	1,500	800.00	300
Hancock.....	6	73	2	1	23		2	6,000	1	1,500	175.00	
Calumet.....	17	75	2		50		1	4,000			600.00	
Phenix and Alloway.....	15	40	4		10		1	4,000	1	1,300	175.00	
Central Mine.....		60	5		75		2	6,000				
Rockland and Maple Grove.....		40	1				2	3,000	1	1,000		
L'Anse, Kewenaw and.....												
Iroquois Point.....	67	112	4	7	10	2	2	1,050	2	850	50.00	
Totals.....	155	766	25	12	234	10	15	\$75,050	9	\$31,550	\$2,100.00	\$1,200
Recapitulation by Districts												
Detroit.....	204	3130	33	41	148	135	32	\$388,300	17	\$31,900	\$4,235.63	\$21,550
Ann Arbor.....	206	2927	21	34	92	21	32	173,850	15	30,900	1,535.75	14,700
Adrian.....	205	2886	23	32	13	105	32	202,500	18	21,700	9,477.05	3,430
Flint.....	402	3901	37	65	27	195	38½	138,300	14	24,500	12,155.48	10,373
Saginaw.....	355	1914	18	24	64	27	25½	160,050	13	16,300	6,587.52	26,852
Romeo.....	149	2459	18	41	17	99	32	143,200	16	19,900	11,388.00	2,424
Port Huron.....	204	1851	17	14	123	32	21	97,700	17	26,100	6,595.00	5,361
Lake Superior.....	155	766	25	12	234	10	15	75,050	9	13,550	2,100.00	1,200
Totals.....	1970	19824	192	263	708	624	228	1,378,850	119	\$180,650	\$54074.43	\$8,5790
Increase.....					14	124	19½	168,861	4	11,525		710
Decrease.....	8	323	3		112						22,929.57	

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BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.						SABBATH-SCHOOLS.							
For Conference Claimants.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Scholars 15 years of age and over.
	Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.										
\$11.00	\$72.00	\$50.00	\$122.00		\$6.00	\$7.00	\$5.40		\$10.00	1	35	200	
1.50		10.00	10.00		.80	.80	.50			1	15	85	
10.00	37.00		37.00		3.20					5	37	180	
9.00	15.00	16.00	29.00	\$7.50	2.35	1.00	1.25		4.00	1	24	167	80
4.00	22.90		22.90	21.00						2	20	100	
2.00	22.00		22.00			2.00	2.00			2	19	115	19
3.00		6.00	6.00							2	12	80	
	12.00		12.00							1	18	150	75
1.00	52.00		52.00							2	15	125	
4.00	43.05		43.05							4	30	220	
										4	20	150	50
8.00	9.00		9.00	26.00				\$3.25	5.00	1	9	75	40
4.00	15.00		15.00		1.00					5	17	120	
8.00	26.00		26.00		1.00	1.00	2.00		1.00	4	20	175	28
6.00		13.00	13.00							1	24	217	80
6.00	30.00		30.00				2.25	5.00	6.00	1	20	130	70
	13.00		13.00							1	10	69	24
7.00	53.00		53.00		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		1	14	80	8
	3.40		3.40							4	20	200	
3.25										6	30	150	30
10.00	18.00		18.00							4	32	200	
										4	24	75	50
\$97.75	\$441.35	\$95.00	\$586.35	\$54.51	\$15.15	\$12.80	\$14.40	\$9.25	\$36.00	57	463	3073	552
\$5.00	\$60.00		\$60.00							1	25	180	60
6.00	16.00		16.00		\$5.00	\$2.00	2.00		\$5.00	3	31	210	42
14.00	75.00		75.00		15.00	6.00	6.00		5.00	2	20	300	
5.00	45.00		45.00		6.00	8.00	2.00		8.00	1	3	20	10
3.00	10.00		10.00	1.00	1.25	1.50				1	35	75	12
10.00	26.00	\$24.00	50.00		20.00	3.00	4.00	\$10.00	5.00	2	24	148	25
3.00		60.00	60.00		2.00				5.00	1	14	250	
10.00	20.00	110.00	130.00	40.00	16.00	8.00	4.00	30.00		2	24	350	80
6.00	45.00		45.00		5.00	5.00			4.00	3	33	240	50
6.00	30.00		30.00			5.00			7.00	2	31	237	60
16.00	23.00		23.00		4.00				7.00	2	18	180	
	20.00		20.00							1	5	27	22
\$84.00	\$360.00	\$194.00	\$554.00	\$41.00	\$74.25	\$38.50	\$18.00	\$40.00	\$46.00	21	263	2177	361
\$444.33	\$1903.63	\$414.97	\$2318.60	\$159.60	\$1085.57	\$145.17	\$153.82	\$126.50	\$97.75	50	637	5084	1086
150.71	744.04	262.95	1036.99	205.71	77.70	8.70	12.45	6.05	11.00	36	424	2742	578
174.61	807.01	347.01	1154.02	153.95	53.97	32.72	28.47	8.20	37.29	37	440	3133	669
192.92	938.01	125.09	1063.10	258.79	42.20	37.22	23.70	14.00	67.95	52	512	4459	982
150.99	484.70	71.25	555.95	187.25	82.75	8.70	23.80	3.00	30.25	65	495	3101	728
150.94	773.62	150.32	923.94	120.73	69.66	9.25	23.25	19.00	2.00	43	535	3031	603
97.75	441.35	95.00	536.35	54.50	15.15	12.60	14.40	9.25	26.00	57	463	3073	552
84.00	360.00	194.00	554.00	41.00	74.25	38.50	18.00	40.00	46.00	21	263	2177	361
\$1446.75	\$6452.36	\$1690.59	\$8142.95	\$1181.53	\$1501.25	\$292.86	\$302.89	\$226.00	\$318.24	391	4059	26830	5559
21.25	926.36		899.21		417.05	74.10		70.27	176.70	32	96	1306	1697
		19.15		660.81			14.77						

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	SABBATH SCHOOLS—Continued.									MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		
	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Av. attendance of Teachers & Scholars	Library Books.	Total Expense of School this year.	Sunday-School Advocates taken.	Sunday-School Journals taken.	Off. & Teach's who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Scholars who are Ch. mem. or Pro.	Conversions this year.	Claims.	Receipts.
PORT HURON DIST.												
Continued.												
Port Huron.....		67		400		125	35	35	30	25	\$1,690.00	\$1,690.00
Gratiot.....		17		150	\$ 1.00						850.00	850.00
Marysville and Wales.....	100	60		250	60.00		2	30	26		650.00	630.00
St. Clair.....	73	46	116	152	43.24			24	46	2	1,250.00	1,250.00
Algonac.....				250							725.00	530.00
Memphis & Richmond.....	71	30	98	300	35.00	16	18	17		4	800.00	600.00
Columbus.....			65	200		20		8			600.00	527.00
Marine City.....		25	150		75.00		15	10	10		700.00	700.00
Brockway.....			110	150	25.00		10				650.00	528.00
Ruby.....				350	60.00		12				637.00	637.00
Port Sanilac.....	75	25	125		50.00	120	2	20			800.00	800.00
Forester.....	15	20	55	407	14.25	23	7	5	13	9	870.00	706.80
Austin and White Rock			14	150	15.00	30	6	8			600.00	408.00
Port Hope.....	93	54	125	450	24.00	40		10		3		
Tawas.....	81	56	100	372	50.00	150	25	22			1,390.00	1,390.00
An Sable.....	45	15	70	430	40.00	50	26	10			900.00	629.28
Harrisville.....	22	23	44	120	50.00	35	6	5			650.00	650.00
Alpena.....	50	30	50	300			14	14	12		1,088.00	1,017.00
Capac.....			100	100	40.00	40	20	15		2		
Marion.....	48	62	155	700	33.00		17	4	25		300.00	\$ 307.00
Lakeport.....				400	15.00		8				1,300.00	980.00
Lexington & Davisville	25		60	150		38		20	4		400.00	350.00
Speaker.....												
Totals.....	698	520	1437	5781	\$630.49	687	206	270	145	70	\$17,340.00	\$15,950.08
LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.												
Continued.												
Marquette.....	60	40	170	150	\$ 60.00		12	20	24	12	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Negaunee.....	99	69	172	300	75.00	50	6	12	4		1,150.00	1,150.00
Ishpeming.....			200	300	350.00	75	19			1	1,700.00	1,700.00
Clarksburg.....	5	5	14		19.60	20		1			956.00	956.00
Escanaba.....	43	20	60			40	8	9	12		1,300.00	941.64
Houghton.....	103	20	140	500	370.00		20	19	5		1,460.00	1,460.00
Hancock.....											1,075.00	1,075.00
Calumet.....	121	149	150	300	140.00	20	8	14	10		1,312.00	1,309.50
Phenix and Alloway.....			160			50	16	21		7	800.00	800.00
Central Mine.....	187		167	500	150.00	175	20				800.00	863.43
Rockland and Maple Gr						50	15				800.00	800.00
L'Anse, Keweenaw and												
Iroquois Point.....	5		22	50						8	710.00	710.00
Totals.....	603	308	1255	2000	1,164.60	480	69	130	76	28	\$13,463.00	\$13,205.57
Recapitulation by Dist.												
Continued.												
Detroit.....	1114	1083	3335	6515	\$3008.33	1252	271	304	188	122	\$22,912.00	\$23,267.00
Ann Arbor.....	762	433	1832	6445	1019.50	740	226	315	130	32	16,932.00	16,148.22
Adrian.....	641	548	1859	5937	938.89	1104	193	213	203	183	15,737.00	14,190.00
Flint.....	1262	688	3396	6998	1758.66	1832	315	536	490	121	23,761.73	22,599.61
Saginaw.....	1063	602	2387	4841	1738.24	1251	236	339	231	127	22,418.00	19,646.84
Romeo.....	741	392	2074	5163	1113.26	786	182	346	243	60	16,999.00	15,377.33
Port Huron.....	698	520	1437	5781	630.49	687	206	270	145	70	17,340.00	15,950.08
Lake Superior.....	603	308	1255	2000	1164.60	480	69	130	76	28	13,463.00	13,205.57
Totals.....	6884	4569	17506	43730	11371.97	8182	1705	2453	1706	743	\$149562.73	\$140874.65
Increase.....	1667	916	2076			106	345	324		300	16984.73	16314.70
Decrease.....				3909	403.43				25			

[NOTE.—The following charges, with the number of members of last year attached, failed to report in time for insertion in this report: Dearborn, 75; North Branch, 65; Chesterfield, 188. Total, 278.]

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STEWARDS' REPORT.

[Adopted September 9th.]

AMOUNTS NECESSARY

For Superannuated Preachers.....	\$2,775 00
For Widows and Orphans.....	1,575 00
For Deficiencies in Pastors' Salaries.....	7,968 19
Total.....	\$12,318 19

The following amounts have been collected:

From Circuits and Stations.....	\$1,456 62
From Conference Collection.....	63 44
From Chartered Fund.....	40 00
From other sources.....	10 79
Total.....	\$1,570 85
Increase over last year.....	\$184 95

This has been applied as follows:

BENEFICIARY.	CLAIM.	RECEIVED.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.
Robert Triggs.....	\$300 00	\$72 22	William M. Triggs.
Erastus Klumph.....	200 00	72 22	R. Woodhams.
John Pugh.....	300 00	108 33	Self.
John Gray.....	200 00	72 22	R. Gage.
E. B. Prindle.....	200 00	72 22	S. Clements.
Lewis Mitchell.....	300 00	108 33	J. E. Withey.
T. Seelye.....	200 00	72 22	A. R. Laing.
R. C. Crane.....	300 00	108 33	Self.
E. Steele.....	75 00	27 10	Self.
D. W. Hammond.....	200 00	72 22	Self.
Luther Lee.....	300 00	72 22	Self.
E. Van Norman.....	300 00	108 33	R. Bird.
John Livingston.....	100 00	36 11	T. Stalker.
Mrs. Shank.....	200 00	72 22	William McConnell.
Mrs. S. S. Littlefield.....	300 00	108 33	E. H. Pitcher.
Mrs. I. C. Cochran.....	200 00	72 22	E. Steele.
Mrs. Dubois.....	100 00	36 11	E. Steele.
Mrs. Watkins.....	75 00	27 10	E. Steele.
Mrs. Geo. Smith.....	75 00	27 10	E. Steele.
Mrs. J. Blanchard.....	75 00	27 10	E. Steele.
Mrs. Mothersill.....	300 00	108 33	T. Stalker.
Mrs. Hevener.....	50 00	18 05	J. E. Withey.
Mrs. Todd.....	100 00	36 11	J. M. Arnold.
Mrs. Belknap.....	100 00	36 11	J. M. Arnold.
Total.....	\$4,350 00	\$1,570 85	

The Committee on Conference Claimants report that \$4,500 should be raised for the claimants on our Superannuated Funds the ensuing year.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	E. H. Pilcher, P. E.....	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00	.....
Detroit—Central Church.....	W. X. Ninde.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....
Lafayette Avenue.....	J. McEldowney.....	2,200 00	2,200 00	.....
Simpson Church.....	T. Stalker.....	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....
Jefferson Avenue.....	E. E. Caster.....	1,400 00	1,400 00	.....
Sixteenth St. & Greenfield.....	H. N. Brown.....	500 00	500 00	.....
Trenton.....	J. H. McClure.....	775 00	775 00	.....
Wyandotte.....	H. O. Parker.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....
Flat Rock.....	J. Kilpatrick.....	900 00	900 00	.....
Monroe.....	J. C. Wortley.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....
Wayne.....	J. S. Joslin.....	900 00	900 00	.....
Dearborn and Inkster.....	J. R. Noble.....	725 00	725 00	.....
Lee Chapel and Warren.....	J. M. Truscott.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Plymouth.....	W. H. Benton.....	950 00	950 00	.....
Bellville.....	W. J. Campbell.....	900 00	900 00	.....
Birmingham.....	F. Brittain.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Royal Oak.....	C. Simpson.....	700 00	700 00	.....
Farmington.....	J. A. McIlwaine.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Northville.....	Nelson Green.....	1,100 00	1,100 00	.....
Commerce.....	J. H. Kilpatrick.....	750 00	750 00	.....
Southfield.....	A. Gee.....	800 00	800 00	.....
New Boston.....	T. Nichols.....	900 00	845 00	\$55 00
Walled Lake.....	J. H. Gurnalia.....	800 00	700 00	100 00
Denton and Sheldon.....	J. S. Sutton.....	825 00	825 00	.....

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	L. R. Fiske.....	\$1,800 00	\$1,800 00	.....
Ann Arbor.....	W. H. Shier.....	2,200 00	2,200 00	.....
Dixboro.....	S. Bessey.....	700 00	636 00	\$64 00
Ypsilanti.....	J. M. Fuller.....	1,800 00	1,800 00	.....
Augusta.....	A. W. Wilson.....	750 00	750 00	.....
Oakville.....	D. R. Shier.....	600 00	600 00	.....
Milan.....	N. Newton.....	600 00	570 00	30 00
Saline.....	J. Horton.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....
Dexter.....	R. Hudson, Jr.....	900 00	800 00	.....
Ledni and Francisco.....	F. E. Peirce.....	560 00	500 00	60 00
Chelsea.....	Wm. B. Holt.....	800 00	650 00	150 00
Waterloo.....	J. W. Campbell.....	.....	.....	.....
Grass Lake.....	R. S. Pardington.....	1,250 00	1,250 00	.....
Henrietta.....	J. B. Russell.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Pinckney.....	L. J. Whitcomb.....	1,000 00	850 00	150 00
Lima and North Lake.....	Wm. M. Triggs.....	700 00	680 00	20 00
Hamburg.....	J. H. Caster.....	700 00	548 00	152 00
Brighton.....	L. C. York.....	875 00	875 00	.....
South Lyon.....	B. F. Pritchard.....	850 00	626 26	223 74
South Lyon.....	B. H. Hedger.....	500 00	421 26	78 74
Miford.....	Luther Lee.....	400 00	400 00	.....
Genoa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Unadilla.....	J. B. Varnum.....	750 00	750 00	.....

ADRIAN DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	D. Whitmore.....	\$2,000 00	\$2,000 00	.....
Adrian.....	J. H. McCarty.....	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....
Clinton and Macon.....	C. T. Allen.....	1,100 00	1,100 00	.....
Tecumseh.....	S. Clemens, Jr.....	1,125 00	906 08	218 94
Manchester.....	G. W. Lowe.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Napoleon and Brooklyn.....	D. O. Ball.....	850 00	750 00	100 00
Franklin.....	E. Bibbins.....	600 00	600 00	.....
Addison.....	A. R. Hazen.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Hudson.....	D. C. Jacokes.....	1,400 00	1,400 00	.....
Morenci.....	I. N. Elwood.....	1,250 00	1,250 00	.....
Fairfield.....	E. Van Norman.....	.....	.....	.....
Blissfield.....	W. Taylor.....	700 00	700 00	.....
Petersburg and Deerfield.....	J. G. Whitcomb.....	.....	.....	.....
Lambertville.....	I. Johnson.....	500 00	356 00	144 00
Dundee.....	J. S. Priestly.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Ridgeway.....	G. H. Field.....	.....	.....	.....
Clayton.....	D. A. Curtis.....	700 00	600 00	100 00
Sharon.....	W. C. Way.....	950 00	950 00	.....
Palmyra and Wellsville.....	W. Benson.....	.....	.....	.....
Medina.....	S. P. Murch.....	768 00	513 00	250 00

FLINT DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	W. E. Bigelow.....	\$1,600 00	\$1,600 00	.....
FLINT—Court Street.....	J. F. Davidson.....	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....
Garland Street.....	Wm. Fox.....	1,300 00	1,300 00	.....
Mt. Morris.....	J. Hamilton.....	900 00	900 00	.....
Forest.....	W. J. Clack.....	900 00	802 00	98 00
Davis and Kearsley.....	W. Stedman.....	.....	.....	.....
Flushing.....	J. G. Morgan.....	900 00	900 00	.....
Swartz Creek.....	J. B. Goss.....	750 00	750 00	.....
Hazleton.....	T. Wakelin.....	450 00	450 00	.....
Grand Blanc.....	E. Westlake.....	1,000 00	942 00	58 00
Holly.....	S. P. Warner.....	1,000 00	674 76	325 24
Fenton.....	W. W. Washburn.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Fenton Circuit.....	R. Kerr.....	400 00	325 00	75 00
Linden.....	O. Sanborn.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Gaines.....	D. B. Millar.....	700 00	650 00	50 00
Byron.....	E. H. Brockway.....	1,000 00	960 00	40 00
Vernon.....	N. W. Pierce.....	1,112 00	1,112 00	.....
Corunna.....	A. J. Richards.....	1,025 00	1,025 00	.....
Highland.....	L. S. Tedman.....	900 00	825 00	75 00
Hartland.....	H. W. Hicks.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Oak Grove.....	J. Balls.....	750 00	750 00	.....
Perry.....	H. Hodekiss.....	800 00	750 00	50 00
Laingsburgh.....	S. Bird.....	1,130 00	1,130 00	.....
Howell.....	S. B. Kimmell.....	.....	.....	.....
Fowlerville.....	C. W. Austin.....	1,000 00	.....	.....
Iosco.....	C. Locke.....	600 00	590 00	100 00
Williamston.....	R. C. Lanning.....	900 00	750 00	150 00
Dansville.....	T. Wilkinson.....	1,028 00	915 00	111 00
White Oak.....	H. W. Thompson.....	443 00	443 00	.....
Bell Oak.....	Jos. England.....	.....	.....	.....

ROMEO DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	S. Reed.....	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00	.....
Romeo.....	J. S. Smart.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....
Pontiac.....	T. J. Joslin.....	1,700 00	1,700 00	.....
Troy.....	G. Deacon.....	700 00	539 88	\$170 67
Utica.....	B. S. Taylor.....	700 00	700 00	.....
Mt. Clemens.....	J. T. Hankinson.....	900 00	800 00	100 00
Washington.....	J. Wesley.....	650 00	650 00	.....
Orion.....	J. R. Cordon.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Rochester.....	A. B. Clough.....	675 00	675 00	.....
Oxford.....	J. O. Bancroft.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Brandon and Oakland.....	G. N. Lyons.....	750 00	732 00	28 00
Lapeer.....	F. J. Bigelow.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....
North Branch.....	A. J. Galbraith.....	.....	.....	.....
Marlette.....	A. Harrington.....	500 00	300 00	200 00
Almont.....	S. E. Warren.....	1,060 00	1,050 00	.....
Dryden.....	E. Gage.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Armada.....	H. Hood.....	.....	.....	.....
Chesterfield.....	W. L. Armstrong.....	.....	.....	.....
Baltimore.....	A. R. Laing.....	700 00	444 00	256 00
Hadley.....	C. M. Anderson.....	900 00	779 00	121 00
Goodrich.....	W. Birdsell.....	700 00	500 00	200 00
Clarkston.....	G. W. Owen.....	900 00	800 00	100 00
Davisburg.....	J. W. Scott.....	1,200 00	1,100 00	100 00
Attica.....	J. E. Withey.....	700 00	550 00	150 00

SAGINAW DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	O. J. Perrin.....	\$1,700 00	\$1,500 00	\$200 00
East Saginaw.....	D. Casler.....	1,800 00	1,600 00	.....
Saginaw City.....	J. Venning.....	1,700 00	1,700 00	.....
South Saginaw.....	P. J. Wright.....	950 00	950 00	.....
Saginaw & E. Saginaw Miss'n.	J. Riley.....	400 00	400 00	.....
Portsmouth.....	F. W. Warren.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....
Bay City.....	J. Kelly.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....
Wenona.....	W. Q. Burnett.....	.....	.....	.....
Tuscola and Thetford.....	E. Foster.....	500 00	500 00	.....
Millington and Pearsonville.....	A. Whitcomb.....	600 00	350 00	250 00
Mayville.....	A. S. Fair.....	600 00	500 00	100 00
Dayton and Newberry.....	J. Ashford.....	550 00	270 00	280 00
Watrousville.....	D. J. Odell.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Caro.....	Geo. Stowe.....	825 00	750 00	75 00
Kawkaulin Banks & S. Side Av.	A. Springstien.....	1,000 00	.....	.....
Standish and Rush River.....	A. J. Dunlap.....	.....	.....	.....
Midland and Averill's.....	F. W. May.....	1,000 00	700 00	300 00
Tittabawassee.....	J. G. Sparling.....	600 00	500 00	.....
Carrollton and Zilwaukee.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hemlock City and Swan Creek.....	G. Bettis.....	.....	.....	.....
Vassar.....	W. Hagadorne.....	1,000 00	925 00	75 00
Cass City.....	I. H. Camburn.....	600 00	550 00	50 00
Unionville.....	S. J. Brown.....	500 00	309 50	190 50
Cascade.....	R. Woodhams.....	750 00	750 00	.....
St. Charles.....	J. W. Crippen.....	750 00	650 00	100 00
Chesaning.....	W. E. Dunning.....	800 00	800 00	.....
New Haven.....	A. Allen.....	500 00	450 00	50 00
Owosso and Bennington.....	D. Whitely.....	1,000 00	700 00	300 00
Munsgerville.....	W. Suttle.....	.....	.....	.....
Pesahgening Indian Mission.....	D. Hall.....	.....	.....	.....

PORT HURON DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	T. C. Gardner.....	\$1,600 00	\$1,425 00	\$175 00
Port Huron.....	A. F. Bourns.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....
Gratiot.....	G. M. Lyon.....	850 00	850 00	.....
Marysville and Wales.....	M. J. Scott.....	650 00	630 00	30 00
St. Clair.....	A. R. Bartlett.....	1,150 00	1,150 00	.....
Algonac.....	A. W. Harding*.....	725 00	580 00	205 00
Memphis and Richmond.....	J. W. Holt.....	870 00	625 00	245 00
Columbus.....	J. L. Walker.....	600 00	537 00	73 00
Marine City.....	E. E. Pearman.....	700 00	700 00	.....
Brockway.....	H. H. Smith.....	650 00	528 00	122 00
Ruby.....	T. C. Higgins.....	637 00	637 00	.....
Port Sanilac.....	S. P. Lee.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Forester.....	N. N. Clark.....	800 00	650 00	150 00
Austin and White Rock.....	H. Palmer.....	600 00	450 00	150 00
Port Hope.....	J. H. McIntosh.....	800 00	800 00	.....
Tawas.....	T. G. Potter.....	1,350 00	1,350 00	.....
Au Sable.....	W. F. Maywood.....	900 00	900 00	.....
Harrisville.....	J. W. Henry.....	600 00	600 00	.....
Alpena.....	W. Donnelly.....	1,150 00	1,100 00	50 00
Capac.....	A. Shepherd.....	510 00	400 00	110 00
Marion.....	A. Hubbell.....	325 00	322 00	.....
Lakeport.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lexington and Davisville.....	R. McConnell.....	900 00	675 00	225 00
.....	B. F. Bradley.....	600 00	300 00	300 00
Speaker.....	W. Allington.....	400 00	350 00	50 00

*Bro. Harding was only seven months at Algonac, and his claim was paid in full for that time.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICITS.
DISTRICT.....	J. M. Gordon.....	\$1,400 00	\$1,400 00	.....
Marquette.....	J. M. Johnson.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....
Negaunee.....	E. W. Frazee.....	1,150 00	1,150 00	.....
Ishpeming.....	L. Barnes.....	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....
Clarksburg.....	E. Steer.....	896 00	896 00	.....
Escanaba.....	T. H. Baskerville.....	1,300 00	941 64	\$358 36
Menomonee.....	J. E. Whalen.....	.....	.....	.....
Houghton.....	J. Frazer.....	1,680 00	1,680 00	.....
Hancock.....	E. Barry.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Calumet.....	F. E. York.....	1,280 00	1,280 00	.....
Phenix and Alloway.....	E. F. Porter.....	.....	.....	.....
Central Mine.....	T. G. Omans.....	800 00	833 00	.....
Rockland and Maple Grove.....	C. L. Church.....	800 00	800 00	.....
L'Anse, Keweenaw and.....	J. M. Van Every.....	.....	.....	.....
Iroquois Point.....	Peter Marksman.....	710 00	710 00	.....

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	DEFICIENCIES.
Detroit.....	\$27,025.00	\$26,870.00	\$ 155.00
Ann Arbor.....	19,835.00	18,706.52	928.48
Adrian.....	16,838.00	16,025.08	812.92
Flint.....	25,186.00	23,053.76	1,132.24
Romeo.....	19,525.00	18,069.33	1,425.67
Saginaw.....	21,325.00	18,354.50	1,970.50
Port Huron.....	18,097.00	15,319.00	1,285.00
Lake Superior.....	13,996.00	13,800.64	265.36
Grand Total.....	\$161,627.00	\$150,228.81	\$7,968.19

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. HAGADORNE, }
J. R. CORDON, } *Conference*
J. W. CRIPPEN, } *Stewards.*

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ON SUPPORT OF BISHOPS.

[Adopted September 9th.]

DETROIT DISTRICT.—Detroit: Central Church, \$50.00*; Simpson Church, \$12.00; Trinity Church, \$19.00; Jefferson Ave., \$10.60; Sixteenth St., 60c. Wyandotte, \$6.10; Flat Rock, \$4.00; Monroe, \$5.00; Wayne, \$11.00; Plymouth, \$6.00; Northville, \$5.00; Southfield, \$6.20; Farmington, \$3.84; Walled Lake, \$5.37; Royal Oak, \$3.00; Dearborn, \$6.00; Denton's, \$12.00; Lee Chapel, \$6.00; New Boston, \$2.00. Total, \$173.71.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.—Ann Arbor, \$21.70; Dixboro, \$1.30; Ypsilanti, \$16.91; Saline, \$12.00; Dexter, \$6.00; Lima and North Lake, \$9.00; Chelsea, \$9.00; Henrietta, \$2.00; Pinckney, \$6.00; South Lyon, \$9.10; Leoni, \$3.00; Augusta, \$1.25; Milan, \$5.00; Oakville, \$9.00. Total, \$111.26.

ADRIAN DISTRICT.—Adrian, \$15.00; Manchester, \$4.07; Fairfield, \$9.00; Medina, \$2.35; Ridgeway, \$15.00; Hudson, \$13.00; Tecumseh, \$3.55; Addison, \$4.25; Clinton and Macon, \$10.00; Franklin, \$2.80; Sharon, \$7.00; Blissfield, \$8.00; Morenci, \$5.00; Clayton, \$5.60; Dundee, \$1.10; Palmyra, \$5.00; Lambertville, \$5.00. Total, \$115.72.

FLINT DISTRICT.—Flint: Court Street, \$8.95; Garland Street, \$12.00. Flushing, \$7.00; Hazelton, \$4.00; Corunna, \$2.00; Vernon, \$7.00; Mt. Morris, \$7.00; Gaines, \$4.00; Byron, \$8.00; Linden, \$9.00; Fentonville, \$8.00; Fenton Circuit, \$7.00; Holly, \$3.71; Highland, \$6.00; Hartland, \$8.00; Fowlerville, \$2.50; Williamston, \$4.00; Iosco, \$4.00; Perry, \$7.00; Bell Oak, 25c.; Forest, \$3.00; Tuscola, \$3.85; Swartz Creek, \$7.00; White Oak, \$3.00; Oak Grove, \$6.00; Laingsburg, \$7.20. Total, \$144.46.

*Remitted to Nelson & Phillips.

SAGINAW DISTRICT.—East Saginaw, \$25.00; Saginaw City, \$10.00; South Saginaw, \$3.00; Portsmouth, \$4.00; Bay City, \$18.00; Wenona, \$8.00; Chessaning, \$8.00; Caro, \$7.00; Vassar, \$3.00; Millington, \$2.00; Unionville, \$3.00; Caseville, \$5.00; Watrousville, \$8.00; Mungerville, \$4.00; Cass City, \$5.00; Hemlock City, \$2.00; New Haven, \$2.00; Owosso, \$4.00; St. Charles, \$3.00; Midland, \$3.00; Tittabawassee, \$5.00. Total, \$132.00.

ROMEO DISTRICT.—Romeo, \$15.00; Almont, \$4.00; Troy, \$2.50; Washington, \$2.35; Rochester, \$6.00; Hadley, \$5.55; Utica, \$6.50; Oxford, \$7.00; Goodrich, \$5.00; Orion, \$6.20; New Baltimore, \$3.50; Mt. Clemens, \$3.00; Brandon, \$5.00; Marlette, \$2.00. Total, \$73.60.

PORT HURON DISTRICT.—Port Huron, \$10.50; Brockway, \$7.50; St. Clair, \$8.05; Ruby, \$4.00; Columbus, \$1.00; Fort Gratiot, \$5.00; White Rock, \$4.00; Marysville, \$3.40; Alpena, \$7.00; Forester, \$5.00; Harrisville, \$5.00; Port Sanilac, \$6.50; Tawas, \$6.00; Au Sable, \$2.75; Marion, \$1.25. Total, \$76.95.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.—Marquette, \$15.00; Negaunee \$6.00; Ishpeming, \$12.00; L'Anse, \$4.00; Hancock, \$5.00; Houghton, \$9.00; Calumet, \$9.50*; Rockland, \$5.00; Escanaba, \$1.00; Phenix Mine, \$5.00; Clarkburg, \$5.00; Central Mine, \$5.00. Total, \$81.50.

*Remitted to Hitchcock & Walden, Chicago.

RECAPITULATION.

Detroit District.....	\$173.71
Adrian District.....	115.72
Ann Arbor District.....	111.26
Flint District.....	144.46
Saginaw District.....	132.00
Romeo District.....	73.60
Port Huron District.....	76.95
Lake Superior District.....	81.50
Total.....	\$909.20
Cash from last Conference.....	40.00
Amounts not identified.....	21.00
Grand Total.....	\$970.20

J. M. ARNOLD, *Treasurer.*

[O.]

CHRISTIAN CO-OPERATION.

[Adopted September 24th.]

Your committee to whom was referred a communication from a committee of the Congregational churches of this state in regard to Christian co-operation in the feeble religious communities, report that we have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report that we deem it

advisable to appoint a committee of three to consult with similar committees from sister churches in regard to the interests of our united Zion, and if some plan of united effort should be considered advisable, to report such plan to this Conference at its next session. We are not prepared at the present time to express any opinion on the merits of the question, but heartily sympathize with the progress of the spirit of Christian unity among the churches.

L. R. FISKE, *Chairman.*

[P.]

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DETROIT CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

[Adopted September 9th.]

DETROIT DISTRICT—Farmington—*Parent*—Ada Beach. *Conference*—Sarah King. Flat Rock—*Conference*—Miss Jennie Garritson, Maggie Fray, Susie Vanriper, Rosa Chapman, Cecelia Holly, Mary E. Aselton, Mary J. Hood, Unis F. Charter. Northville—*Conference*—Emma Hull. Wayne—*Conference*—Eva Hanman. *Juvenile*—Sarah Curtis, Mary Dulittle. Bellville—*Parent*—Hattie Whitely, Effie Fuller. *Conference*—Ida J. Hall, Wm. Riggs, Mr. Gilbert, Minnie Adair. Southfield—*Conference*—Mary A. Coon, Sarah Kinney, Hattie Waters. Jefferson Avenue—*Juvenile*—Bertie Bean, Martha Hall, Joseph Craddock, Celia Cushman, Mary Jane Roust, Wm. Robinson, Ida W. Ross, Ada Wilds, Carrie Woodcock, Jennie Liethead, Merret Dow, Mary Howie, Willie Zeller, Ada Leek, John Craddock, John Howie, Ellen Marsh, Raliff Durycia. Flat Rock—*Juvenile*—Elois Metier, Abbie Garritson, Amelia Edminson, Lizzie Harryman, Elizabeth C. Merrill, Freddie Gillet, Eva Harnden. Commerce—*Conference*—Frank Danderson, Alice Crickman. New Boston—*Conference*—Antoinette Hosmer, Julia Blakesley, Eva S. Roberts, Mary A. Bird, Wyandotte—*Parent*—John S. Trites, John Robenson. Royal Oak—*Parent*—Libbie Simpson.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—Brighton—*Conference*—Mrs. Allis Hicks. Henrietta—*Conference*—Miss Ella Bacheler, Permillia Fitch. Milford—*Conference*—Ida Briggs, Ida Potts, Permealia Osborn. *Juvenile*—Miss Jane Ann Eddy. Augusta—*Conference*—Isaac R. Collar. *Parent*—Richard Hewens, Abigail Ewens. Lima and North Lake—*Parent*—Robert Buchannan. *Conference*—Joseph Hopkins, Clara Palmer. Dixboro—*Conference*—Mrs. Juliett Townsend, Mrs. Lydia Bush. Cass City—*Parent*—Charlotte Orr, J. H. Camburn. South Lyons—*Conference*—Dory Smith, Flora Groves, Elizabeth Jacobus, Addie Crippen, Jennie Jarvis. *Juvenile*—Miss Carrie Saber, Mary E. Packard, Mary E. Whitticar, Mabel E. Carson, Ella Herrick, Jennie Alsbro, Rachel Herrick. Oakville—*Conference*—Ellen Howe, Lizzie Traver, Elmira McFall, Mary Lanning, Jane Burpam, Mary Dickerson, Mary Calhoun. Unadilla—*Conference*—Miss Emma Van Horn. Saline—*Conference*—Six, names not given.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—Ridgeway Circuit—*Conference*—Miss Regnia Billmyer, Hattie Freer, Hattie Clark, Ella Pattison, Jennie Darling, Mrs. Agnes Eaton, Mrs. M. J. Rogers, Emma Van Fleet. Walled Lake—Four *Juveniles*, names not given. Clinton—*Parent*—Two names not given. *Conference*—Six names not given. *Juvenile*—One name not given. Blissfield—*Parent*—Miss Mary H. Ostrander, Miss Emma M. Dildine, Miss Hattie E. Turner. Dundee—*Conference*—Miss Andrews, Mrs. Moore, Manchester—*Conference*—Cora Case, Ella Winton, Mattie Mosher, Lottie Brown, Miss E. Smith, Permealia Taylor. Sharon—*Parent*—Miss Sarah Mount, Miss Gertrude Robison. Tecumseh—*Juvenile*—Eleven, names not given. Ridgeway—*Parent*—Mary Casfer, Siloam Clark, Augusta Cadman. Franklin—*Conference*—Della Van Volkenburg, Libbie Darby, Lillie Delong, Emma J. Smith, Frank Osborne. Napoleon—*Conference*—Ettie Burtless, Anna Paine, Miss Toland. Addison—*Parent*—Miss Rosa Chatfield. *Conference*—Miss Emma J. Rickey, Martha L. Beal, Josephine M. Redfield. *Juvenile*—Hugh Alberts Hazen, Mary Chatfield. Clayton—*Conference*—Isaac N. Warren, Caroline Graves. Lambertville—*Conference*—Mary Mickins, Mary McLouth.

SAGINAW DISTRICT—New Haven—*Conference*—Mr. Alton. Wenona—*Conference*—Miss Maggie McCartney, Blanche Cooper. *Juvenile*—John S. Taylor, Amelia E. Williams, Cornelia A. King, Helen Smith, Allis McDonald, Carrie C. Purkiss. Bay City—*Parent*—Eliza A. Moxley. *Conference*—Lillian Stoddard. Cassville—*Parent*—Erastus Clumph. Watrousville—*Conference*—Eliza Sherman, Ada McCreda, Charles McCreda. *Parent*—Mrs. Mina Odell. Vassar—*Juvenile*—Minnie Donaldson, Lois Bowen. *Conference*—Carrie Vessellus, Cora McHare. Tittabawassee—*Conference*—Estella Hubbard, Mary Jane Rowse, Harriet Florence. Millington—*Conference*—Mrs. Orilla Carter. *Juvenile*—Minnie Degear. Midland—*Conference*—Ella Hemington, Della K. Buelcl. Mungerville—*Juvenile*—Eva McBride, Mariah Mitchel, Mary Brundredge, Ellen Sheckle. Tuscola and Thetford—*Conference*—Sophronia Camp, Nellie Lamson, Minnie Haines, Hattie A. Wheeler. Unionville—*Conference*—Mrs. R. Case. *Juvenile*—Four, no names given. Chessaning—*Conference*—Clarence Dunning.

ROMEO DISTRICT—Chesterfield—*Conference*—Henrietta Vanhorn, Miss Ella Fuller. Dryden—*Parent*—F. A. Butler, Minerva Alger, Rollie Sutton. *Conference*—Helen Bartlett, Hannah Miller. Rochester—*Conference*—Elizabeth Miller, Freddie Dewey. Badley—*Juvenile*—Three, names not given. *Parent*—Flora Hills, Lucy Hutton. Clarkston—*Parent*—Nettie E. Carron. *Juvenile*—Nellie Broomfield, Charlie Smith. North Branch—*Parent*—Unis Willmont. *Conference*—Alna Elliot. *Juvenile*—Miss Lake. Goodrich—*Conference*—Allis Sherman. Attica—*Parent*—Cecilia Ready. Baltimore—*Conference*—Miss Emma Light, Hattie Woodhull. Orion—*Conference*—Elizabeth Toms. *Juvenile*—Clara Rowley, Mary McMeans, Hannah Charlton, Fred Elwell, Mary G——, Bella Wallace, Elsworth Axford, Douglas Barker, Libbie Shuster, Hattie Allen, T. O. Campbell, John Ross, Almira Campbell, Eliza Groves, Nettie Elwell, Lucy Rogers. Brandon and Oakwood—*Parent*—Miss Allen, Miss Elvira Whitcomb. *Conference*—Sarah Van Kirk, Sarah Kingsley. Oxford—*Conference*—Amelia M. Dibble, Ida J. Foote, Wm. H. Travis, Mary G. Walton, Emily L. Bell, Susan Richmond.

FLINT DISTRICT—Fowlerville—*Conference*—Thomas Copelan, Georgie Ann Van Verst, Ida Hankins. *Juvenile*—Jennie Soles. Iosco—*Conference*—Mattie Wright, Emma Maycock, Rhoda J. Nichols. *Juvenile*—Malissie Lowry, Allis Daniels, Mary Bucknoll. Grand Blanc—*Conference*—Emma C. Wright. *Parent*—Mary E. Westlake. Byron—*Parent*—Mary A. Davis. *Conference*—Julia Stone, Sarah M. Anderson. Holly—*Conference*—Mrs. J. Buzzell. Hartland—*Parent*—Sarah Jane Bowden, Annie Hough, Thomas Wakin. Mt. Morris—*Parent*—Clara Johnson. *Conference*—E. E. Johnson, Mary Mason. *Juvenile*—Seven, names not given. Linden—*Conference*—Samantha White, Elizabeth Castie, Ida McCan, Mary L. Beach, Sarah A. Whitney, Mary Annis, Eva A. Leonard. Highland—*Conference*—Nelson Leonard, Fannie Lanning, Hester Ann Rogers, Maggie Thompson. Gaines—*Conference*—Rettie P. Brown, Emma A. Runyon, Gertrude Demund, Lena Edmiston. *Juvenile*—L. J. Reed. Flushing—*Parent*—Nellie A. Cady, Flora Graham. Oak Grove—*Parent*—Mrs. J. F. Moody, Laura Walker. *Conference*—Eva D. Kanouse, Adora Rathburn. *Juvenile*—Emma Root, Ella Stone, Elizabeth Dearman. Forest—*Conference*—M. A. Hollenbeck, Sarah Davison, Emma Woolman. Vernon—*Conference*—Annetta Chalker, Harriet Calkins. *Juvenile*—Sarah Simpson, Susan Watson, Annie Mole. White Oak—*Conference*—H. W. Thompson. Court Street—*Juvenile*—Fifteen, no names. *Conference*—Four, no names. Garland Street—*Conference*—Mrs. John Sutton, A. L. Sherr, E. Zimmerman, Mrs. Fangbner, Cyrus Pomroy, Cornelia Hill, Albert Wright. Swartz Creek—*Conference*—Susie Gardner, Dell Storer, Hattie Ingalls, Archie Millar. Perry—*Juvenile*—Miss Anna Wells. Corunna—*Conference*—Chester Fitch, Mary Travis, Lizzie Night, Hattie Truedell, Elva Etchman. Lainsburg—*Conference*—Ella Walters, Flora M. Austin, Barbara Smith, Helen McClintock, Alice L. Dodge. Fentonville Circuit—*Conference*—Wm. Farnum, Miss Cox.

PORT HURON DISTRICT—Brockway Circuit—*Conference*—Cornelia J. Shannon, Sarah J. Ross, Linda J. Davidson, Almira G. Lowry, Mary A. Smith. Alpena—*Parent*—Miss Phebe Kelly, Mrs. Hattie Chamberlain. *Conference*—Mrs. Rev. Wm. Donnelly. *Juvenile*—Willie Barlow. Port Huron—*Conference*—Hester Moore, Willie Wilson, Edward Wright. Marysville—*Conference*—Mrs. Mary Mills, Mrs. Adelia Yarger, Miss Lillian Habel. Memphis and Richmond—*Juvenile*—Nettie Reynolds, Lillie Frisse, Martha A. Spencer, Feltie Cliff, Libbie Eaton, Ella Kerr, J. Horn. Tawas—*Juvenile*—Miss Maggie Butler, Emma Stewart, Flora H. Haller, Anna Smith. Port Hope—*Conference*—Maggie McAlpine, Jennie Wisdom, Hattie Bisbee. Lexington—*Conference*—Margaret Maclin, Matilda Palmer, Nelly Clark. Sand Beach—*Conference*—Jennie Lester. Au Sable—*Parent*—L. E. Brackenridge, Gertie Chamberlain, Rebecca E. Beaudet, Miss R. Maywood. Fort Gratiot—*Parent*—Mrs. Fink. Ruby—*Parent*—Eliza Moore, Anna Quinn. *Conference*—Catharine J. Robertson, Charlotte Harrow.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—Hancock—*Conference*—C. B. Richards, Miss Williams. *Parent*—Emma Nichols. Phoenix—*Conference*—Miss E. M. Creese, Miss J. Tonkin, Miss L. James, Miss E. Paull. Central Mine—*Parent*—T. G. Omans. Ishpeming—*Conference*—Molly Richards, Maggie Miller, Olive Barnes, Lemon Barnes, Harriet S. Barnes, Edith Northmore. Marquette—*Parent*—One, no name. *Conference*—One, no name. *Juvenile*—Ten, no names. Escanaba—*Conference*—Mary Jane Baskerville. Kewawenon—*Conference*—Rev. John Street. *Juvenile*—Lucy Street.

Miss Mary A. Mosely, one Conference certificate, no name of charge given; Miss Helen Jennings, one Parent, no name of charge given; Miss Mattie White, one Parent, no charge given; Miss Jennie Flemming, one Parent, no charge given; Miss Sarah Sargent and Miss Allen Done, one Conference certificate each, but no name of charge given.

CHAS. SIMPSON, *Secretary*.

[Q.]

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

[Adopted September 9th.]

<i>By cash from districts.</i>	<i>Dr.</i>	<i>To cash forwarded.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
Detroit.....	\$2,416.16	From Calumet.....	\$ 70.00
Ann Arbor	1,068.99	" Cass City.....	30.00
Adrian.....	1,154.68	" Blissfield.....	50.00
Flint.....	1,170.94	To cash paid F. E. Parish for Hitch-	
Saginaw.....	576.75	cock & Walden.....	7,987.94
Romeo.....	991.10	To exchange.....	.14
Port Huron.....	546.85	To one bill on broken bank.....	1.00
Lake Superior.....	567.81	To expressage on trunk and cer-	
A friend, Holly.....	4.00	tificates.....	2.50
Collection at Conference.....	34.53	To J. M. Arnold on pub. minutes..	75.00
		To Hitchcock & Walden per Parish	354.73
Total	\$8,560.61	Total.....	\$8,560.61

W. W. WASHBURN, *Treasurer.*

[R.]

LADIES' AND PASTORS' CHRISTIAN UNION.

[Adopted September 9th.]

Whereas the last General Conference provided for the organization of a Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union of the M. E. Church, your committee would recommend the following constitution for this Conference:

ARTICLE 1. This association shall be known as the Detroit Conference Association of the Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union.

ART. 2. Its object shall be to organize auxiliaries to the Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union, and to supervise its work throughout the Conference.

ART. 3. All members of the Conference, and all members of the Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union within its limits, shall be members of this association.

ART. 4. The officers of this association shall be a president, three or more vice-presidents, a recording and a corresponding secretary, who together shall constitute an executive committee.

ART. 5. The duties of these officers shall be those usually devolving upon such officers, with the addition of those of the corresponding secretary, of careful correspondence with the secretaries of auxiliary societies, the doing all in her power to encourage and increase their zeal in the work, and also reporting each meeting to the corresponding secretary of the Parent Society.

ART. 6. The meetings of this association shall be held during the sessions of Conference, at which time reports shall be required of all auxiliaries within the bounds of the Conference.

We recommend officers for the ensuing year. [See list of Conference officers.]

[S.]

REPORT OF TREASURER OF DETROIT CONFERENCE M. E. SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION.

(Adopted September 9th.)

	Dr.	
To total cash and receipts.....		\$311.85
	Cr.	
By forwarded to Chicago by pastors.....	\$ 8.70	
" " " New York by pastors.....	118.15	
" " " J. M. Arnold.....	5.00	
By paid by Treasurer to Parish.....	180.00	
		\$311.85

A. B. CLOUGH, *Treasurer.*

[T.]

ON THE SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

(Adopted September 9th.)

The increase of Sabbath desecration, especially in our cities, is an alarming feature in the history of American civilization which may well excite alarm in the mind of every lover of his country as well as Christian. It indicates a changing sentiment in the minds of the American people as to the moral obligations to devote a seventh portion of time to rest, to quiet reflection, and to the worship of God. With the great mass of the people the Sabbath is no longer a holy day, but a holiday; it is no more a day of rest, but of pleasure, and of such kind of pleasure-taking as involves more toil for tens of thousands of our citizens than the business of the other days of the week. The reports of the police courts show that there are more arrests for drunkenness on the Sabbath than on other days. Christian congregations are disturbed by the proximity of crowded and noisy saloons, and Christian worshipers are annoyed on their way to and from the house of God by the intemperance and disorder of the streets. The merciful provision of God for the well-being of society is being robbed of its blessedness by the selfishness of men, and combined and persistent efforts are being made to secure the repeal of these wholesome state laws which have hitherto guaranteed to us the rest and quiet of the Sabbath, and given a national sanction to the sanctity of that day which, as a Christian nation, we have regarded as the Lord's.

It becomes a serious question what can be done to arrest these evils which threaten to sap the foundations of our Christian civilization. 1st. As Christian citizens we are entitled to demand legal protection. The most eminent statesmen and jurists have affirmed again and again that this country is a Christian country, and that "Christianity is, and always has been, a part of the common law of the land." Daniel Webster made the following declaration on this subject: "There is nothing we regard

with more certainty than this principle, that Christianity is part of the law of the land—general, tolerant Christianity: Christianity independent of sects and parties: that Christianity to which sword and faggot are unknown: general, tolerant Christianity is the law of the land.” And Judge Story, in his “Commentary on the Constitution,” says, “It is the special duty of government to foster and cherish Christianity among all its citizens and subjects.” The Christianity of America is a “tolerant Christianity.” It allows men of all religions—Jews and Greeks, Catholics and Protestants, Buddhists and Mohammedans, to dwell in our borders, to exercise the rights of citizenship, and to conduct their religious worship according to their own convictions of duty. It does not compel any one to keep the Christian Sabbath after our fashion, or worship God in our way. But it does demand that legal sanction shall be given by a Christian state to the Christian Sabbath; that one day in seven every man shall have exemption from toil, and that no human being, as master or as employer, shall stand between a Christian and the law of his God which secures to him a Sabbath for rest, for worship, and for religious instruction. And furthermore, it demands that Christians shall be protected by law from all disturbance and hindrance in the exercise of their rights to worship God according to the dictates of Scripture and conscience. Whatever can by fair interpretation be shown to be a nuisance, a source of disturbance or hindrance to the quiet enjoyment of the Sabbath, he has a right to demand shall be prohibited by law.

2nd. It is incumbent upon us that, both by teaching and example, we do all in our power to awaken and deepen the sense of the sanctity of the Sabbath in the public conscience. We must “call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord and honorable: and honor God by not doing our own work, or finding our own pleasure, or speaking our own words on His holy day.” No human legislation can awaken a sense of sacredness, or constrain a becoming reverence for the Sabbath day, so effectually as the education of the family, and the conscientious care of Christians to avoid every violation of the command to “keep holy the Sabbath day.” A return even to Puritanical strictness in the practice of Christians, without seeking to enforce our modes of observance by state legislation, would be a blessing to the Church and to the world. Let no secular work be done on the Sabbath that can be avoided by the forethought of the previous day—the “preparation day” of olden times; let Sunday traveling be avoided beyond what is strictly necessary to reach our places of worship; let secular newspapers disappear in our households, and worldly conversation be avoided; and then we shall soon see a higher tone of moral feeling spreading in the community, and above all we shall inherit the blessing which God has promised to those who keep His Sabbaths and reverence His sanctuaries. “I will make thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father. This will I do for thee and not forsake thee.”

We offer for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we will, by our example and by our public ministrations, seek to elevate public sentiment with regard to the sanctity of the Sabbath, and lead as far as possible the citizens of our commonwealth to “remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.”

Resolved, That we will use all lawful means to secure the enforcement of existing laws against the prevalent desecration of the Sabbath; also, to obtain such legislation as shall guarantee the rights of Sabbath-observing Christians and citizens to worship God in harmony with their convictions of duty without being disturbed by crowded, noisy saloons, public processions, and demoralizing "beer-gardens."

BENJ. F. COCKER, *Chairman*.

[U.]

ON MISSIONS.

[Adopted September 9th.]

The General Missionary Committee having appropriated to the Conference \$3,000.00 for Domestic Missions, and \$1,200.00 for Indian Missions, the amounts have been distributed as follows:

I. DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

DETROIT DISTRICT.—Sixteenth Street, Detroit.....	\$75	
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.—Milan.....	75	
ADRIAN DISTRICT.—Palmyra.....	\$80	
Lambertville.....	80	160
FLINT DISTRICT.—Davidson.....		160
SAGINAW DISTRICT.—Caro.....	\$100	
Arapac and Pine River.....	100	
Unionville.....	75	
Dayton and Newberry.....	75	
St. Charles.....	75	
Hemlock City and Swan Creek.....	75	
Mungerville.....	50	
Caseville.....	50	
Millington.....	50	650
ROMEO DISTRICT.—Attica.....	\$40	
Imlay City.....	80	
Marlette.....	80	200
PORT HURON DISTRICT.—Gratiot.....	\$50	
Richmond.....	50	
Minden.....	100	
Capac.....	100	
Deckerville.....	100	
Speaker.....	100	500
LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.—Presiding Elder.....	600	
L'Anse.....	200	
Escanaba.....	200	
Menomonee.....	180	
	1,180	\$3,000

II. INDIAN MISSIONS.

SAGINAW DISTRICT.—Saganing.....	\$300
LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.—Superintendent.....	\$200
Iroquois Mission.....	500
Grand Island.....	50
Kewawenon.....	150
	— 900
	— \$1,200

T. C. GARDNER, *Secretary.*E. H. PILCHER, *Chairman.*

I concur in the above appropriations.

I. W. WILEY.

[V.]

ON MEMOIRS.

[Adopted September 9th.]

REV. SOLOMON S. LITTLEFIELD, a superannuate, died Dec. 8, 1872, in Detroit. Bro. Littlefield was born in Verona, Oneida county, N. Y., April 22, 1829. He came to Michigan when but a lad, with his parents, and settled in the north of Monroe county. Here he was brought to a saving knowledge of the truth, in his fourteenth year, and immediately united with the M. E. Church, of which his parents were honored members. He was licensed and united with the Michigan Conference, which then embraced the whole state, in September, 1862, and was assigned to Medina as junior preacher. The next year he was appointed in charge of Rome circuit. Ever after this, while he was able to do effective work he was in charge. He was a very diligent and faithful minister, a prudent and careful administrator of discipline, and true to all the interests of the church. In August, 1854, he was married to Miss Ophelia A. Baylies, who has proved to be a most worthy companion, and who with three children is left to mourn. His remains were deposited in the family cemetery at Grafton, Monroe county, Mich. Bro. Littlefield was a most worthy man and sound minister, having had a genuine Christian experience. He truly adorned the doctrine of God our Savior, and walked worthy of the vocation wherewith he was called. In patience and faith he possessed his soul. For a number of years past his health was such that he had to be placed on the retired or superannuated list. In this relation he did what he could for the Master's cause, having all the while an ardent desire to do good and promote piety. His last sickness was very severe for most of the time. He had been so as to be around and do something in the way of canvassing for books, and the like, until about the 6th of September, when he was prostrated by disease from which he never rallied. But the spirit is free from its suffering body, and has gone to be with his Lord, which is far better than to be here.

E. E. CASTER, *Chairman.*

WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETY.

J. M. ARNOLD, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH Miss S. A. RULISON—*Dr.*—D. Preston, \$10; Mrs. Geo. Baulst, \$2.00; Mrs. Arnold, \$10.00; Lafayette M. E. Church, \$10.00; John Owen, \$10.00; Mr. C. L. Church, \$5.00; Mrs. E. G. Taylor, \$2.00; Mrs. M. E. Burnet, \$6.00; Portsmouth, L. L. Warren, \$11.35; Pontiac, \$10.00; Silas Farmer, \$3.25; Farmington, \$5.00; Morenci, L. B. Wilson, \$5.00; J. Hamilton, Mt. Morris, \$5.00; Mrs. Ann Blackmer, \$5.00; Messrs. Smith and Clark, \$26.00; Mrs. E. E. Caster, \$3.00; Almont, \$4.00; Mrs. E. G. Merrick, \$5.00; Mrs. J. O. Bancroft, \$2.00; Simpson M. E. Church, \$10.00; sundry persons, \$16.25; Mrs. J. F. Driggs, \$10.00; Mrs. J. Toynten, \$3.00; Bay City, \$6.50; St. Clair, \$2.00; Corunna, \$5.00; D. Preston, Central Church, \$5.00; Grass Lake, Mrs. Pardington, \$5.00; Howell, \$1.50. Total, \$206.85.

PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

The assets of the society consist of: Bills receivable (Preachers' notes), \$4,279.21; cash in hands of D. Preston, treasurer, \$5,717.45; cash in hands of secretary, \$8.26. Total, \$10,004.92.

These assets are divided into: Endowment fund, \$9,388.26; interest account, \$616.66. Total, \$10,004.92.

The Secretary reported to Conference that he had received during the week—

From A. Gee, principal of note.....	\$ 10.00	
From W. P. Maywood, principal of note.....	25.00	
Collection from Farmington, Circuit.....	4.00	
Collection from Denton and Sheldon Circuit.....	9.60	
Central M. E. Church, Detroit.....	104.30	
Blin mortgage, principal.....	800.00	— \$452.90
Interest on preachers' notes.....	197.90	
Interest on Blin mortgage.....	59.40	— 257.30
J. M. Arnold & Co. report that there is due the society for one per cent. on sales of the past year. In cash.....	225.00	
In accounts.....	325.00	— 550.00
There is in the hands of David Preston, balance of the Central Church collection.....		100.00
Total.....		\$1,360.20

About eleven hundred dollars of this will go to increase the endowment fund. It is possible for us to greatly add to our capital this year, by securing a larger trade to J. M. Arnold & Co. Their generous offer demands that we should do all we can for them in return.

We ought to take a collection in all our charges during the year. The people will give if you will explain the workings of the society.

We divide this year over seven hundred and fifty dollars of interest among the superannuates.

W. H. SHIER, *Secretary*,
Sup. Preachers' Aid Society.

CHILDREN'S FUND.

[*Not referred to in Journal.*]

FLINT DISTRICT—Hazleton, \$2.25; Gaines charge, \$3.00; Court street, Flint, \$2.26. ADRIAN DISTRICT—Addison Circuit, \$6.75. SAGINAW DISTRICT—Bay City, \$5.00. Total, \$19.26.

Ypsilanti, Sept. 6th, 1873.

DETROIT CONFERENCE REGISTER.

NOTE—"Div.," in the sixth column, indicates the fact that such members fell into the Detroit Conference by the division of 1856.

Will members help the Secretary to fill all blanks. The same request is made to probationers. The fifth column shows time of admission to membership, not to probation. Give names in FULL.

All who joined the Detroit Conference in full connection had at least two years of prior service as preachers on probation. Those who joined other Conferences may have done very many years of service before coming here.

SECRETARY.

NAME.	BORN.		ADMITTED TO FULL CONNECTION		Came to Detroit Conference.	POSTOFFICE.
	Where.	When	Church or Conference.	When		
Allen, Alfred.....	Penn.....	1819	Mich.....	1845	Div.	Williamston.
Allen, Charles T.....	Mich.....	1841	Detroit.....	1870	.....	Clinton.
Anderson, Chas. Miller..	N. Y.....	1830	Troy.....	1854	1855	Washington.
Arnold, John Motte.....	N. Y.....	1834	Mich.....	1851	Div.	Detroit.
Atchison, J. B. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1873	Detroit.
Ashford, Joseph.....	.....	.....	Bible Ch'ns	.....	1873	Caes City.
Austin, Charles Wm.....	N. Y.....	1838	Detroit.....	1866	.....	Mt. Morris.
Ball, David Ogden.....	N. Y.....	1833	Detroit.....	1867	.....	Sand Beach.
Balls, James.....	England.	1828	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Oak Grove.
Barnes, Leemon.....	Canada.	.....	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Ishpeming.
Barry, Edward.....	Canada...	1842	Detroit.....	1870	.....	Commerce.
Bartlett, Alanson Roots.	N. Y.....	1827	Mich.....	1853	Div.	Detroit.
Bancroft, John Orlando.	Ohio.....	1836	Mich.....	1855	Div.	Oxford.
Baskerville, Thomas H.	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1873	.....	Escanaba.
Bell, Andrew.....	.....	.....	Mich.....	.....	Div.	Ann Arbor.
Benton, Wm. Hart.....	La.....	1836	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Royal Oak.
Benson, William.....	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1846	Div.	Deerfield.
Bessey Samuel.....	Vermont.	1815	Mich.....	1846	Div.	Ann Arbor.
Bigelow, Wm. Enos.....	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1848	Div.	Flint.
Bigelow, A. Jackson.....	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Lapeer.
Birdsall, William.....	N. Y.....	1816	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Gaines.
Bird, Robert.....	England.	1821	Mich.....	1848	Div.	Farmington.
Bird, Samuel.....	Ireland...	1820	Detroit.....	1861	.....	Laingsburgh.
Bibbins, Samuel.....	N. Y.....	1797	Wesleyan.	1841	1867	.....
Bibbins, Elisha.....	N. Y.....	1825	Wesleyan.	1848	1867	Lambertville.
Blades, Francis Asbury.	Md.....	1821	Mich.....	1846	Div.	Detroit.
Bourne, Alfred Francis.	Mich.....	1836	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Adrian.
Brown, Henry Newton..	England.	1821	Mich.....	1848	Div.	Denton.
Brown, Samuel Joshua..	N. Y.....	1829	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Mungerville.
Brockway, Edwin H.....	N. Y.....	1825	Detroit.....	1856	.....	Byron.
Brittain, Flavel.....	Vermont.	1808	Mich.....	1839	Div.	Birmingham.
Burnett, Wm. Q.....	England.	1824	Detroit.....	1858	.....	Wenona.
Calkins, Sylvester.....	.....	.....	Mich.....	.....	Div.	South Lyon.
Camburn, Ira H.....	N. Y.....	1815	Detroit.....	1857	.....	May.
Campbell Wm. John.....	England.	1827	Detroit.....	1853	.....	Saline.
Caster, Elisha Ezra.....	N. Y.....	1836	Detroit.....	1859	.....	Romeo.
Caster, James Harvey...	N. Y.....	1818	Mich.....	1858	Div.	Salem.
Casler, David.....	N. Y.....	1840	Detroit.....	1871	East Saginaw.
Chapman M. B.....	1873	St. Clair.

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Clough, Albert B.	Mich.	1837	Detroit.	1867	Rochester.
Clack, William J.	England.	1834	Detroit.	1862	Owosso.
Cocker, Benjamin F.	England.	1832	Detroit.	1859	.....	Ann Arbor.
Curtis, David A.	N. Y.	1830	Mich.	1846	Div.	Petersburg.
Clements, Samuel.	N. Y.	1817	Mich.	1851	Div.	Tecumseh.
Cordon, James Robert.	England.	1835	Detroit.	1860	.....	Orion.
Crane, Rufus Cullen.	N. Y.	1834	Mich.	1853	Div.	Greenville.
Crippen, John Wesley.	Mich.	1833	Detroit.	1859	.....	Trenton.
Curnalia, James Henry.	N. Y.	1835	Detroit.	1863	.....	Walled Lake.
Davidson, James F.	Ohio	1810	Ohio.	1833	Div.	Millford.
Deacon, George.	England.	1824	Detroit.	1873	.....	Minden.
Dean, Lyman Haynes.	N. Y.	1820	Detroit.	1867	.....	Tecumseh.
Dobbins, Jacob.	N. Y.	1809	Mich.	1833	Div.	Litchfield.
Donelson, Ira W.	.....	.....	Mich.	1855	Div.	.....
Donnelly, William.	Penn.	1808	Detroit.	1854	.....	Alpena.
Davis, George R.	.....	.....	Detroit.	1859	.....	Peking, China.
Dunning, Walter Edson.	Mich.	1842	Detroit.	1871	.....	Clayton.
Dunlap, James A.	Mich.	1843	Detroit.	1871	.....	Unionville.
Edwards, Arthur.	Ohio	1834	Detroit.	1860	.....	Chicago.*
Elwood, Isaac Newton.	N. Y.	1843	Detroit.	1869	.....	Morenci.
Fair, Alexander Scott.	Canada	1840	Detroit.	1869	.....	St. Charles.
Fiske, Lewis Ransom.	N. Y.	1835	Mich.	1867	1866	Detroit.
Foster, Edwin.	N. Y.	1840	Detroit.	1873	.....	Worth.
Fox, William.	Canada	1839	Mich.	1856	Div.	Romeo.
Frazee, Elias Wetmore.	N. Bruns	1841	Can. West.	1862	.....	Negaunee.
Frazier, Joseph.	Ireland.	1840	Detroit.	1863	.....	Houghton.
Fuller, James Madison.	Vermont.	1807	N. England	1830	1870	Ypsilanti.
Field, George H.	Canada.	1835	Can. West.	1864	1872	Ridgeway.
Gage, Rodney.	Mass.	1821	N. England	1855	1856	Dryden.
Gardner, Thomas C.	N. Y.	1820	Mich.	1845	Div.	Port Huron.
Gee, Alexander.	Mich.	1823	Detroit.	1858	.....	Southfield.
Gordon, John M.	N. Y.	1834	Detroit.	1865	.....	Marquette.
Gray, John.	.....	.....	Mich.	.....	Div.	Dryden.
Goss, Joel Byington.	Mich.	1843	Detroit.	1870	.....	Swartz Creek.
Green, Nelson.	Vermont.	1830	New Hamp	1857	1868	Northville.
Hale, Osmer B.	.....	.....	Unit. Breth	.....	1873	Napoleon.
Rammond, Daniel W.	Mich.	1838	Detroit.	1860	.....	Marlette.
Hamilton, John.	Mich.	1835	Detroit.	1871	.....	Linden.
Hagadorn, Wesley.	N. Hamp	1833	Detroit.	1863	.....	Plymouth.
Hankinson, Joseph T.	N. Y.	1833	Detroit.	1862	.....	Chesaning.
Hascall, Erastus R.	.....	.....	Mich.	.....	Div.	Tecumseh.
Harding, Abel W.	N. J.	1833	Detroit.	1869	.....	Manchester.
Haven, Erastus Otis.	Mass.	1830	New York.	1850	1853	New York City.†
Hazen, Albert R.	Ohio.	1824	South. Ill.	1863	1868	Addison.
Hedger, Benjamin H.	N. J.	1811	Mich.	1855	Div.	Troy.
Hickey, Manasseh.	N. Y.	1830	Mich.	1848	Div.	.....
Hicks, Henry W.	N. Y.	1833	Meth. Prots	1860	1868	Grand Blanc.
Higgins, Theron Clinton	N. Y.	1819	Detroit.	1853	.....	Fort Gratiot.
Hodskiss, Harvey.	N. Y.	1818	Wesleyan.	1845	1868	Perry.
Holt, Joseph Warren.	Conn.	1819	Mich.	1843	Div.	Memphis.
Holt, William B.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1873	Forester.
Hood, Hiram.	N. Y.	1818	Genesee	1846	1859	Armada.
Horton, Jacob.	Mich.	1840	Detroit.	1865	.....	Flint.
Houghton, Levi Liberty.	N. Y.	1837	Detroit.	1869	.....	North Branch.
Hudson, Richard.	England.	.....	Detroit.	1873	.....	.....
Jacokes, Daniel C.	N. Y.	.....	Mich.	1842	Div.	Hudson.
Joslin, John S.	N. Y.	1836	Detroit.	1866	.....	Wayne.
Joslin, Thomas Jefferson	N. Y.	1830	Mich.	1854	Div.	Pontiac.
Johnston, Isaac.	Ireland.	1819	Wesleyan.	1851	1867	L'Anse.
Johnson, J. Milton.	N. Y.	1844	Detroit.	1873	.....	Marquette.
Johnson, Peter O.	N. Y.	1817	Mich.	1850	Div.	Lansing.
Kelley, John.	Scotland.	1819	Detroit.	1863	Bay City.
Kilpatrick, Jesse.	Ohio.	1831	Detroit.	1859	Corunna.
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Kimmell, Samuel Bell	Penn	1836	Detroit	1873		Howell.
Kilpatrick, James H.	N. Y.	1844	Detroit	1873		Flat Rock.
Kerr, Richard.	Ireland.	1847	Can. West.	1868	1872	Evanston, Ill.
Laing, Aaron R.	Mich.	1838	Detroit	1865		Armada.
Lee, Samel P.	N. Y.	1838	Mich.	1863	Div.	Port Sanilac.
Lee, Luther.	N. Y.	1800	Genesee.	1839	1867	Milford.
Lanning, Robert C.	N. Y.	1819	Meth. Prot.	1844	1868	Danville.
Levington, John	Ireland.	1816	Mich.		Div.	Detroit.
Lowe, Geo. W.	Mich.	1836	Detroit	1860		Manchester.
Lyon, George Marcus.	N. Y.	1829	Meth. Prot.	1868		Hadley.
Mahon, William	Ireland.					Marquette.
McConnell, Richard	Ireland.	1830	Mich.	1846	Div.	Richmond.
McEldowney, John	Ireland.	1834	Wesleyan	1845	1867	Flint.
McIlwaine, John A.	N. Y.	1831	Detroit	1865		Birmingham.
McIntosh, John H.	Canada.	1834	Detroit	1870		Harrisville.
Maywood, William P.	Canada.	1842	Detroit	1868		Caro.
May, Franklin Wallace	Mass	1815	Mich.	1863	Div.	East Saginaw.
Marksman, Peter.	Minn	1818	Mich.	1859	1867	L'Anse.
Millar, David B.	Scotland.	1840	Detroit	1873		Otisville.
Mitchell, Lewis.	Ireland.		Detroit	1866		
Morgan, Josiah George.	Mich	1836	Detroit	1867		Flushing.
Mosher, Curtis.	N. Y.	1815	Mich	1850	Div.	Swartz Creek.
Murch, Silas P.	N. Y.	1836	Detroit	1858		Fairfield.
Newton, Newell.	N. Y.	1834	Genesee	1856	1868	New Boston.
Nichols, Thomas.	Canada.	1834	Detroit	1862		Tipton.
Ninde, William Xavier.	N. Y.	1832	Black River	1858		Evanston, Ill.
Noble, James Richard.	England.	1834	Detroit	1860		Dearborn.
Odell, Daniel J.	Mich.	1836	Detroit	1873		Watrousville.
Omans, Thomas G.	Mich.	1832	Prot. Meth.	1860		Central Mine.
Owen, George W.	Ohio.	1827	Detroit	1860		Leeville.
Pardington, Raynor S.	England.	1836	Detroit	1860		Grass Lake.
Parker, Henry O.	N. Y.	1829	Detroit	1856		Wyandotte.
Parker, Jacob E.	Penn	1816	Mich.	1845		Washington, D.C
Pearman, Elias Elgin.	Indiana.	1833	N. Indiana.	1859		Ruby.
Perrin, Oliver Jacob.	Mich.	1838	Detroit	1862		Saginaw City.
Pierce, Nathan Wallace.	N. Y.	1840	Detroit	1867		Vernon.
Pilcher, Elijah Holmes.	Ohio.	1810	Ohio.	1831	Div.	Detroit.
Pilcher, Leander W.	Mich.	1843	Detroit	1872		Peking, China.
Potter, Thomas George.	Ireland.	1832	Detroit	1861		East Tawas.
Prindle, Elias B.	N. Y.	1830	Detroit	1856		
Pritchard, Benj. Frank.	Conn	1815	Mich.	1850	Div.	Hamburgh.
Pugh, John.	England.	1801	Minn	1856	1860	Verona Mills.
Peirce, Francis E.	Ohio.	1847	N. Indiana.	1871	1872	Stony Creek.
Palmer, Horace.	Mich.	1843	Detroit	1872		Palmyra.
Ramsdell, Stephen L.			Detroit			Goodrich.
Reed, Seth.	N. Y.	1823	Mich.	1846	Div.	Ann Arbor.
Richards, And. Jackson.	N. Y.	1831	Detroit	1868		Vassar.
Russell, Jesse Barber.	N. Y.	1832	Detroit	1863		Unadilla.
Russell, John.	N. Y.	1822	Mich.	1845	Div.	Detroit.
Riley, James.	Canada.	1837	Detroit	1871		East Saginaw.
Sanborn, Orlando	N. Y.	1826	Mich.	1855	Div.	Holly.
Scott, James W.			Detroit			Davisburg.
Scott, Marvin J.	N. Y.	1832	Detroit	1870		Marysville.
Seeleye, Thomas.	N. J.	1823	Mich.		Div.	Brandon.
Shaw, Addison C.						Southfield.
Shepard, Albert.	N. Y.	1831	Detroit	1867		Capac.
Shier, Daniel R.	N. J.	1841	Detroit	1873		Pinckney.
Shier, William Henry.	N. J.	1832	Detroit	1863		Ann Arbor.
Simpson, Charles.	N. Y.	1832	Detroit	1868		Mt. Clemens.
Smart, James Shirley.	Maine.	1825	Mich.	1850	Div.	Port Huron.
Stalker, Thomas.	England.	1829	Detroit	1861		Detroit.
Stowe, George.	Mich.	1838	Detroit	1863		Au Sable.
Sutton, Joseph Swazey.	N. J.	1819	Mich.	1848	Div.	Belleville.
Steele, Ebenezer.	Mass.	1806	Mich.	1841	Div.	
Springstein, Archibald.	Canada.	1836	Mich.	1866	1871	Pine River.

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Smith, Henry Harrison..	Mass....	1840	Detroit....	1871	Daviesville.
Steer, Edward.....	Canada..	1823	Detroit....	1871	Michigammi.
Taylor, Barton S.....	N. Y.....	1820	Detroit....	1861	.....	Utica
Taylor, George.....	England..	1810	Genesee....	1838	Div.	Lexington.
Taylor, William.....	England..	1817	Mich.....	1843	Div.	Davison.
Tedman, Lucius S.....	N. Y.....	1822	Detroit....	1861	.....	Howard, Ill.
Triggs, Robert.....	England..	1792	Mich.....	1838	Div.	Henrietta.
Triggs, William M.....	England..	1829	Detroit....	1860	.....	Detroit.
Tracy, David Burnham..	Conn....	1829	Mich.....	1855	Div.	Milan.
Truscott, John M.....	England..	1826	Detroit....	1873	.....	Hemlock City.
Tuttle, William.....	N. Y.....	1829	Detroit....	1857	1871	Fairfield.
Van Norman, Ephraim..	Canada... 1816	1816	Wesleyan..	1840	1867	Oakville.
Varnum, Joseph Bradley	Canada... 1830	1830	Detroit....	1857	.....	Saginaw City.
Venning, James.....	England.. 1838	1838	Detroit....	1866	.....	L'Anse.
Van Every, John M.....	Canada... 1850	1850	Missouri... 1872	1872	.....	Monroe.
Wortley, J. C.....	England.. 1830	1830	Detroit.... 1868	1872	.....	Highland.
Westlake, Eli.....	N. Y..... 1819	1819	N. Y..... 1843	1872	.....	Midland.
Whiteley, Duke.....	England.. 1822	1822	Meth. Prot. 1854	1872	.....	Brockway Cent'r
Walker, John L.....	Scotland. 1835	1835	Detroit.... 1872	.....	Div.	Bay City.
Warren, Frederick Wales	N. Y..... 1820	1820	Mich..... 1846	.....	.....	South Lyon.
Warren, Squire Ethan...	Mich..... 1825	1825	Detroit.... 1862	.....	Div.	Fowlerville.
Warner, Silas Phelps...	N. Y..... 1820	1820	Mich..... 1853	.....	Div.	Flushing.
Wakelin, Thomas.....	England.. 1807	1807	Mich..... 1845	.....	1870	Fenton.
Washburn, W. W.....	Vermont.. 1837	1837	Minn..... 1869	.....	.....	Blissfield.
Way, Wm. Chittenden...	N. Y..... 1824	1824	Detroit.... 1859	.....	.....	New Haven.
Wesley, John.....	England.. 1819	1819	Detroit.... 1858	.....	.....	Ontonagon.
Whalen, James E.....	.....	.....	Detroit.... 1873	.....	.....	Fort Austin.
Wheaton, W. W.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1873	Adrian.
Whitmore, Orrin.....	N. Y..... 1823	1823	Mich..... 1850	.....	Div.	Millington.
Whitcomb, Alonzo.....	N. Y..... 1836	1836	Detroit.... 1870	.....	.....	Petersburg.
Whitcomb, John Goss...	N. Y..... 1823	1823	Detroit.... 1856	.....	.....	Lima.
Whitcomb, Lewis Jacob	N. Y..... 1822	1822	Free Bapt't 1849	1867	.....	N. Hudson.
Wiltsey, Marcenas B...	N. Y..... 1817	1817	Wesleyan.. 1845	1867	.....	Waterloo.
Wilson, Andrew William	Ireland... 1841	1841	Genesee.... 1868	1870	.....	Milford.
Wilson, George.....	England.. 1836	1836	Detroit.... 1864	.....	.....	Attica.
Withey, James E.....	Mich..... 1844	1844	Detroit.... 1868	.....	.....	Hancock.
Wilkinson, Thomas.....	England.. 1838	1838	Prim. Meth 1864	1871	.....	Phoenix.
Wright, Philip J.....	Canada... 1839	1839	Detroit.... 1871	.....	.....	Clarkston.
Wood, Alva B.....	Mich..... 1843	1843	Detroit.... 1871	.....	.....	Almont.
York, Frederick E.....	Canada... 1844	1844	Detroit.... 1868	Brighton.
York, Lodowick C.....	N. Y..... 1817	1817	Detroit.... 1858	

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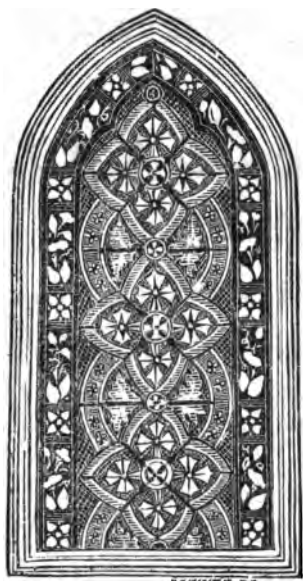
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